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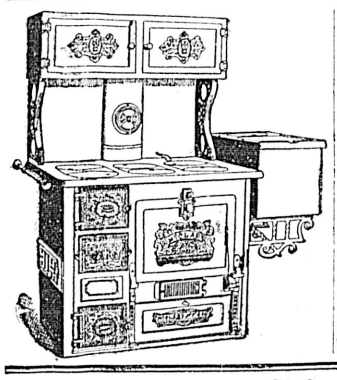

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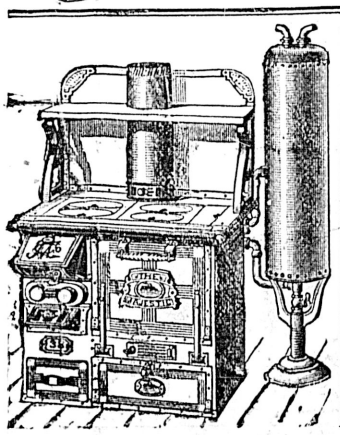

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A joint convention of Far West Lodge, No. 1 and Victoria Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., will be held at Castle Hall, Broad street, Thursday evening, 18th inst., when the Grand Chancellor of B.C., Mr. J. B. Kennedy, M.P.P., will make an official visit.

All members are urgently requested to be present, and sojourning Knights cordially invited.

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GEN. GOMEZ WOUNDED

Suspicious Military Movements in the Transvaal—The Vagaries of the Kaiser.

Increases in the German Naval Expenditures—Leprosy in Europe. Bayard Eulogized.

LONDON, March 16.—It is rumored in Havana that General Maximo Gomez, the great insurgent leader, was seriously wounded in the fight which occurred recently at Arroyo Blanco, province of Santa Clara, between the Spaniards under General Bernal and an insurgent force under Gomez.

The Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent states that Germany has recently landed large shipments of munitions of war as Walfisch bay, a circumstance which causes suspicion. The Transvaal is also arming steadily, the shipments of ammunition, guns and military supplies from France alone amounting to 300 tons monthly. All are being lodged at important strategic points.

On Sunday Mr. Bayard attended services at St. Paul's cathedral. Archdeacon Sinclair, in the course of his sermon, made eulogistic references to the ambassador, and said it was unfitting even in such a place to offer heartfelt acknowledgement of Mr. Bayard's powerful contribution to the peace of the world.

The National Zeitung states that Admiral von Hollmann resigned the portfolio of the German navy at the close of Saturday's session of the budget committee.

The Daily Mail says: "The vagaries of a certain continental sovereign are causing profound anxiety to his family, and especially to diplomatists, who recognize that the concert of Europe may at any moment be disturbed. Pinching the guests and trying to trip them with a sword are among the antics attributed to the insane sovereign." The paragraph unmistakably hints at Emperor William of Germany.

Prof. Koch's report on leprosy in the Eastern provinces shows that 47 cases still exist. The disease was originally imported from Russia, and several new cases have just been discovered. There are more in the Western districts, and there is one case at Frankfurt-on-Ober.

The Cologne Volks Zeitung points out that 1872 the annual expenditures for the navy increased from 21,298,000 to 91,407,000 marks, and the Cologne Gazette suggests that the funds required be provided by taxation of all trading vessels according to the value of their cargoes, and 10 marks per ton is suggested as the amount of the tax.

The trial of twelve women and two men commenced at Hold Mezo Vasarhely, Hungary, to-day. The prisoners are charged with poisoning their husbands or other relatives in order to obtain insurance money. Some of the prisoners are accused of four or five murders. The chief prisoner is a nurse named Mary Jager, who is charged with supplying the poison with which the murders were committed.

The British steamer Venus, Capt. Dwyer from Baltimore, Feb. 26 for that port has arrived at Hamburg and reported having encountered severe gales, for four days during which her cabin was stove in and filled with water. In addition a number of her boats and part of her bulwarks were damaged.

THE PRAIRIE CAPITAL.

Governor Mackintosh Will Visit Kootenay Camps—Snow Storm Deranges the Train Service.

WINNIPEG, March 16.—(Special)—Lieutenant-Governor Mackintosh, of the Northwest Territories, is here. Your correspondent learns that the Lieutenant-Governor, who is now on leave of absence, may not again assume his gubernatorial duties and that his successor will be appointed shortly. His Honor received leave of absence early in January, for a period of three months, in order to visit the Kootenay mining region, and it is said that he has become so largely interested in mineral properties there and is so enamored of the prospects that he will take up his residence in Rossland at once and give personal attention to his investments. Governor Mackintosh's term expires within a year.

The schools discussion did not go on in legislature today, being dropped in order to advance private bills. Premier Greenway is expected to speak to-morrow.

Certain correspondents of Eastern papers wired reports of the Premier's speech last Friday, but he has not spoken as yet.

Railway service was again badly demoralized last night by a wind storm which filled the deep cuts with snow. The first train for two weeks from Yorkton, over the Manitoba and Northwestern line, reached the city last night. All the trains are late to-day.

The Pembina street school building was burned this morning as the scholars were assembling for their daily exercises. Loss, $3,100.

John H. Bell, ex-M.P.P. for Springfield and latterly assistant clerk of the Manitoba legislature, died to-day, aged 57.

Martin Burke was frozen to death near Carman last night.

Fire in a Bicycle Factory.

SYRACUSE, March 16.—Fire in the enamelling room of the bicycle factory of E. C. Stearns & Co., in Oneida street, this afternoon caused $5,000 damage. A large number of employes will be out of work for a few days. The company are well protected by insurance.

U. S. LUMBER DUTIES

Denounced by Representative Canadian Lumbermen—Can Afford to Be Independent.

TORONTO, March 16.—The United States duties on lumber and lumber manufactures being shown to several representatives of Canadian lumber companies, all denounced the tariff. Said the president of the Georgian Bay Lumber Company: "It is nothing more or less than a direct blow to the white pine trade of Canada. The Americans have the advantage of protection of $2 against Canadian white pine, and get our logs free of duty. If the United States places $2 duty on pine lumber, Canadian lumbermen will join the large section of Canadian people who believe it would be unfair for Canadians to submit to such one-sided legislation and demand that the government take such action on the export of saw logs as will make Americans feel some of the disadvantages they are trying to impose on the lumber trade of Canada."

George H. Bertram, vice-president of the Collins Inlet Lumber Co., also regarded the $2 duty on pine as the chief feature concerning Canada. "The American import duty of $2 per 1,000 on pine," he said, "must be met by an export duty on logs. Of course if this is done we are threatened with 25 per cent. increase over and above the $2 on white pine, which would seriously affect the whole Georgian Bay lumber trade. If the Americans are determined to enforce tariff legislation against the Canadian lumber trade which will result in injury to themselves, we can afford to be just as independent."

ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

Senator Stewart Offers an Amendment Providing for a More General Survey—Fugitive From Justice.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—In the executive session of the senate to-day Senator Stewart of Nevada offered an amendment to the Alaskan boundary treaty, which is in the nature of a substitute for the provision for ascertaining the meridian. It provides for the survey of the whole bounday as provided in the treaty of 1867, which is the treaty of cession from Russia to the United States. The boundary line in that treaty is incorporated in the amendment of Senator Stewart, and if carried is made a part of the treaty.

The state department has managed with great expedition to catch a fugitive from justice half-way around the globe. Notice was received at the department from the governor of New York that the state sought the arrest of J. Aubrey Bennett, wanted at Utica on a charge of embezzlement. It was supposed that he was bound for Cape Town. A cablegram was sent at once to the U. S. consul at that place, and as the man landed from the steamer next day he walked directly into the hands of the officers who were awaiting him. The consul sent word that the prisoner would be detained until officers arrived at Cape Town to fetch him back to the United States.

PROSPECTIVE COMPETITION.

Was the Filibuster "Bermuda" a British or a United States Vessel.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—An interesting complication is said likely to arise in the near future between the British embassy and the Spanish legation here over the filibustering steamer Bermuda. The recent prolonged trip of the Bermuda from Philadelphia to Bermuda and back to Fernardino is a mystery yet to be solved; but it is said to be certain that she did not take on an army of men from the United States. If she had been engaged in filibustering she must have taken on her cargo and men on the high seas. As the Bermuda is a British vessel she is believed to be liable under their foreign enlistment act rather than the American neutral law, it is expected the British and Spanish diplomats here will exchange notes on the subject. Last summer the British embassy took away the Bermuda's register upon the representations of the Spanish government but it was restored a few months ago at Halifax.

"JOE" MARTIN BLACKBALLED.

"Old Nick to Pay" in the St. James' Club of Montreal.

TORONTO, March 16.—The World's Montreal correspondent says: "The old Nick is to pay in the St. James' club, Montreal, on account of the blackballing of Joe Martin. The club has about 450 members of whom fifty are French Canadians, and twenty ballots must be cast to secure election, which, however, is void if one blackball to every seven is cast. It has been hinted that the French-Canadian members had a good deal to do with Mr. Martin's discomfiture, but this is not probably the case, as a prominent gentleman of that race as well as a well-known English speaking civil engineer went down before the same ballot, and other causes will have to be invented."

TO BLOCKADE CRETE.

Orders Given to the Admirals to Commence Without Delay.

LONDON, March 16.—In the House of Lords to-day the Marquis of Salisbury, replying to the Earl of Kimberly, said that instructions had been given to the admirals in command of the foreign fleets in Cretan waters to commence the blockade of Crete ports without any further delay.

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Canadian Delegates to Washington Expected the Present U. S. Tariff Bill.

Joly to Retire From the Cabinet. Nominations at Hull—Peter Mitchell Appointed.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, March 16.—While declining to say anything for publication in criticism of the United States tariff bill, one of the ministers who recently went to Washington said the government was not surprised at the strong protectionist feature of the measure. They were informed of it when at Washington, he said, but were assured that this would not prevent negotiations looking to reciprocity. He added that early in April the government would invite the McKinley administration to appoint a joint commission to inquire into the whole subject of international trade, with a view to arrange for reciprocity.

It is rumored that Sir Henri Joly will shortly retire in favor of Mr. Choquette, M.P.

Twenty-five tons of seed grain have been distributed in three-pound packages from the experimental farm this year.

Hon. Peter Mitchell has been appointed superintendent of fisheries for Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, with headquarters at Ottawa.

The nominations took place in Hull to-day for Wright county, J. M. McDougall, Q.C., Conservative, and L. N. Champagne, Liberal, being the candidates. Hon. Mr. Laurier upheld the school settlement, and Hon. Mr. Taillon in reply denounced the settlement as having been corruptly obtained, and declared that it struck a blow at religious education. Hon. Mr. Paterson, controller of customs, attempted to reply, but uproar ensued and the meeting broke up in disorder.

The Conservatives of Ottawa county to-day selected Hon. G. A. Nantel, commissioner of public works, as their candidate for the Quebec legislature.

Judge Taschereau, of the Supreme court has returned unexpectedly from India.

Malor General Gascoigne, Lieut.-Col. Panet, deputy minister of militia and Lieut.-Col. Lake, quartermaster-general left this afternoon for Lakewood, N.J., to see Lieut.-Col. Borden, minister of militia, respecting the militia estimates, which are about to be submitted to parliament. The minister desired to run over them with his staff before they were sent to the printers.

DOINGS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

Election Formally Protested.

BRANTFORD, March 16.—Robert Henry, the defeated candidate at the recent parliamentary bye-election, formally entered a protest against the return of Charles P. Heyd yesterday. He charges Heyd, by himself or agents, with being guilty of bribery and threatening personal undue influence, and demands his disqualification.

Papal Ablegate to Live in Quebec.

MONTREAL, March 16.—Mgr. Merry del Val, papal delegate to Canada, is expected to arrive on March 31 and will take up his residence at Quebec. Premier Flynn has offered him the use of his residence while he remains in Canada.

Former Montreal Minister Killed.

MONTREAL, March 16.—Rev. George H. Wells, who was killed on Saturday near Dover, Ills., was for many years pastor of the American Presbyterian here, and his sad fate is deeply mourned.

Rev. J. W. Pedley Resigns.

LONDON, March 16.—Rev. J. W. Pedley has announced that he will resign the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at the end of March. Lack of support is the cause assigned. Mr. Pedley came from Vancouver, B.C., a year ago.

Murderer "Charcoal" Hanged.

WINNIPEG, March 16.—Charcoal, the Indian murderer, was hanged at Macleod to-day. He died without manifesting fear.

Bank Manager Dead.

STRATFORD, March 16.—Thomas Plummer, manager of the Stratford branch bank of Montreal, died this morning. He has been in the service of the bank for twenty-three years.

Election Protests.

TORONTO, March 16.—Election protests were filed to-day in the high court justice against the return of Bennett, Conservative, elected in East Simcoe, and Graham, Liberal Patron.

Hon. Mr. Dryden's Libel Suit.

TORONTO, March 16.—Hon. John Dryden, minister of agriculture, has issued a writ claiming $10,000 damages for alleged libel and slander against William Smith, ex-M.P., for North Ontario.

Bald heads are becoming too frequent among the middle aged. This can be prevented by the timely use of Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.

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FAR OUT OF ITS BANKS

The Mississippi Breaks Through the Levees and Submerges Whole Counties.

Colored People Lose Their Lives. Railroads Blocked With Drifting Snow.

MEMPHIS, March 16.—The river has broken all records, the gauge last night registering 36.4 feet. The rise continues at Cairo and all intermediate points. News of the first serious break in the levee reached this city yesterday. It occurred Saturday near Modena, Ark., fifty miles above Memphis. The river is raging through the crevasse at a terrific rate, having the tremendous fall of fifteen feet to give it force and send it to deal death and destruction in the low lands of Mississippi county, Ark. The levee which gave way is in front of Mississippi county, and it is thought the water will almost if not entirely cover this county. The steamer City of Osceola passed down a short time after the break occurred and rescued a number of unfortunate people. For miles and miles to the west of Memphis not a home is habitable.

On the overflowed land where the current is not strong it is not difficult for the people to escape with most of their household truck on skiffs, dugouts or rafts, and the surface of the water in every direction was dotted with these little craft. At Marion, Ark., all the available steamers fit for such duty have been employed rescuing the flood victims. Down the levee are stored great stocks of goods of all kinds, the household property of fugitive negroes or poor white folks, and there are great numbers of horses, cattle, etc., that have been saved, while still greater numbers had been lost before help could come.

When the first relief boat, the C. D. Bryan, got to Marion there was a great rush on the part of the people, white and black, to get aboard with their property. Negroes had been standing up in the water with their stock for hours waiting for this moment. There is not standing room for a dozen people that is not under water, except the railroad tracks. Up and down the river very few signs of life are manifested on any of the plantations, and as there has been no means of saving the stock, it is certain that nearly all have perished.

Nearly all the refugees that are brought to this city are without means. Many of them slept on the levee. A hundred citizens of Memphis got together this morning and devised means to send relief boats to the overflowed districts and to furnish support to the flood victims when they are brought to this city from the surrounding country. It is reported that five persons living on Four Mile bayou, near Marion, Ark., were drowned in the flood. At West Memphis, Jake Carter, colored, and child were swept away by the torrent, and both perished. All of the islands in the vicinity of Memphis are entirely submerged.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 16.—The Cumberland river reached 42 feet on the gauge here yesterday. Forty feet is the danger line. The low lands about the city are submerged and many cellars of business houses are filled with water. Families in the threatened districts are moving out and merchants are taking their goods to second floors. The river will certainly reach 45 and possibly 47 feet.

ST. PAUL, March 16.—Railroads have never before in their history had so much to contend with because of drifting snow. It is stated that there are 200 cars of freight at initial points and elsewhere destined for towns off the main lines, in Dakota and Minnesota, that cannot reach their destination until the branch lines are opened. It is stated that there is suffering in South Dakota by reason of the branch lines being closed. In that state over 600 miles of road have been practically abandoned for fully two weeks.

Nearly all of this mileage is on the branch lines of the Milwaukee system, and the northwestern part of it belongs to the Great Northern and Northern Pacific. Many towns in South Dakota have had no mail for some time, to say nothing of freight and passenger traffic. Through trains on the main lines of the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Soo are running, but from two to seven hours late. These roads are concentrating their efforts to keep the coast lines open. The trains between here and Chicago are running on fair time.

AGRICULTURE IN SCHOOLS.

TO THE EDITOR:—Allow me to direct public attention to one phase of our educational system recently introduced, viz., the teaching of agriculture from a text book to both sexes from ten years up.

I do not profess to condemn so highly important a subject, nor to underrate its usefulness in the schools, but I in common with many parents must deplore its introduction in the common schools, believing the High school would be the proper place for such teaching, or at any rate that it be not handled promiscuously as at present by children of tender years, and more especially girls who may occupy their time far more usefully at needlework.

And here again I must disclaim any intention of wishing to criticise the department, at whose head a very able and scholarly gentleman presides in the person of the Hon. Col. Baker, but merely to draw the notice of the authorities to the fact that there is great discontent in many circles on the above subject, particularly at the present time when other important subjects are crowded out and pupils thereby suffer.

I have heard talk from these little 10-year-old children who have recently started the subject, which is simply scandalous, though they are hardly to blame when they find such illustrations that tend to divert their minds in that channel? Some children have actually expressed their disapproval before their parents, not from any dislike of the subject, but that such cuts should be permitted in a text book and circulated among infants. ACRE.

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A WINTER THROUGH TRAIL.

TO THE EDITOR:—I will for the sake of brevity, only remark relative to Mr. Sarel's suggestions respecting the different proposed routes to reach the Yukon region, that with the exception of a short distance near the southern end of Teslin lake, it is already known that the routes from the head of Lynn canal and Taku inlet are far from being as favorable as that between Stickeen and Teslin lake. No expert, either by examination or report can change the altitude or do away with the enormous difficulties which have to be encountered in crossing those coast ranges. There is no necessity for a summer's delay. All that yet remains to be done to settle the matter, is to have the exploratory line run from Stickeen to Teslin lake when an easy an permanent trail either for winter or summer would be provided. There is reason to believe that before the charter time expires for the completion of the railway, the trail would be found insufficient to accommodate the volume of trade to pass over it. This trial, however, would be a great improvement on those at present used; would secure the trade to British Columbia; and in winter, would of necessity, be supplied with stations and shelter for teams and passengers as suggested by Mr. Moore.

ALEXANDER BEGG, C. C.

16th March, 1897.

OUR ROADS.

TO THE EDITOR:—One of the most important matters which our mayor and city councillors have to face are the roads of Victoria, and, in connestion with this, I beg to draw their attention to that which most seriously affects these, viz., heavy hauling with narrow tires, on roads, a few of which have a mixture of broken rock and clay on them (we will call them "macadamized"), but most of which are only gravelled.

The provincial government in 1889 saw the defect of allowing the use of narrow tires with heavy loads, and remedied it by passing an act for the preservation of the public roads, entitled the "Wide Tire Act," which made it unlawful for any wagon or vehicle carrying a load of more than 2,000 pounds, to be drawn or driven on any of the public highways of Victoria district, unles the tires of such wagon or vehicle were at least four inches in width. The result being that the roads adjacent to Victoria are infinitely better than most of the city ones. Farmers at first objected strongly to the wide tires, but they now prefer them, seeing how much easier hauling with wide tires is on roads that are kept in good shape by the use of them, than hauling with narrow tires on roads cut up by them.

It would mean a certain amount of hardship to those who are at present using heavy wagons with narrow tires, to be compelled to substitute wire tires on their wagons. That could, however be done during the summer, and an enormous saving would be effected in the wear and tear of the roads.

Good roads are of so great importance to the prosperity of our city that I trust our worthy mayor and aldermen will see fit to act in this matter. F. B. P.

A FIGHT FOR LIFE.

THE EXPERIENCE OF MR. SAMUEL SPARKS OF NAPANEE.

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[From the Napanee Beaver.]

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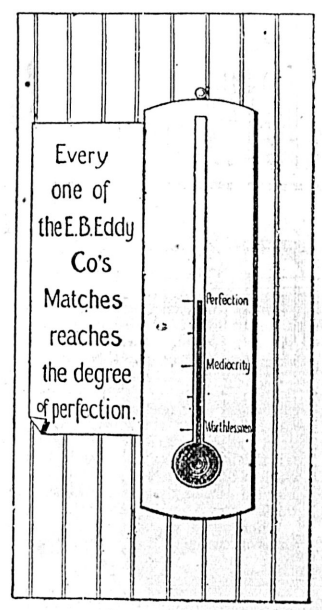

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Will Enjoy Music Halls. A Royal City Forger—Another Pioneer Dies.

Cannot Tax the Cyclists—Albert Canyon Mines Are Sold—The Homestake Deal.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, March 16.—The license commissioners have declined to consider the amendment proposed by the council, the ulterior object of which is to do away with so-called concert halls in the city. The commissioners refuse on the ground that the amendment proposed is too sweeping, and if put in force would mean the discontinuance of billiard tournaments, and balls and dances in hotels, etc.

Jose Gutierrez Sobral, an attache of the Spanish legation at Washington, who recently visited British Columbia, as well as other points on the Pacific coast, has sent Consul Morris, of Chili, a work on the Nicaragua canal, from a strategic point of view. His visit to this province, hitherto a mystery, is now explained. Mr. Morris, who speaks all the Latin tongues as fluently as English, his native tongue, says that the book is written in very pure, simple Spanish, and is a valuable addition to any library, owing to the important issues dealt with by the writer.

A prize fight took place at North Vancouver on Sunday last between Jordan, a well known athlete, who follows barbering as a trade, and an Englishman named Pryce. It is stated that six rounds were fought, in which both men were badly pummelled. In the second round Jordan was knocked out, but those present made the men fight on for their amusement. At the end of the sixth round the fight was stopped, those present fearing that if it were continued the appearance of the men, battered, bloody and bruised, would draw police attention to the fight and result in numerous prosecutions. The struggle was for blood, $100 and a suit of clothes.

A curious expedition in search of hidden treasure has left for the Queen Charlotte Islands on a little sloop called the Star, in command of Captain Fulton, late of the Coquitlam. The present prevailing mining excitement is doubtless responsible for the undertaking which to the unitiated would appear a very doubtful proposition as regards chances of success. The sloop and party will make for Mitchell bay and there at some point or other hope to recover from the bottom of the inlet several thousand dollars worth of gold ore which is said to have been lying there for over forty years. The story goes that a Hudson Bay factor with the help of an Indian discovered a pocket in a cliff. This was blasted and several thousand pounds worth of gold recovered whilst the larger value went to the bottom of the sea. On the strength of this tale of years gone by Captain Fulton goes out with a crew of three men including R. Llewellyn, the well-known Vancouver diver. A few years ago it will be remembered a Victoria dredger sought to unearth the same deposit but failed in the attempt

J. F. Bledsoe, of West Alberni, is at the Commercial. Mr. Bledsoe speaks highly of the copper propositions in that part of the country. Most of them are situated in deep water, but, in the West Alberni man's opinion, this is simply because the country inland is hard of access and has not yet been explored.

The city solicitor has reported on the legality of the local cyclists' demand for cinder paths on the streets and as to the impossibility of imposing a license tax on cyclists. There is no provision in the charter by which a tax can be imposed on cyclists, but they can contribute by subscription if they choose towards the cost of making such cinder paths and keeping them in repair. The paths could not be exclusively appropriated for cyclists; but regulations could be made under which vehicles could be prevented from using the paths, and it could thus be indirectly provided that in practice cyclists only could make use of them.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, March 16.—It is interesting to note that the appeals in the Court of Revision amount to scarcely one-third of what they were last year, showing a much more careful assessment. A further proof of this is in the fact that the majority of those who appealed did not put in an appearance and therefore the assessments were confirmed. Only twelve appeals were heard, judgment being reserved.

Above the Mission the ice is so thick that a way cannot be forced through by the Fraser river steamers and they are compelled to tie up at Miller's Landing.

A. Armstrong, of Westminster, has been appointed to a position in the customs at Tacoma.

T. O'Connell, a northern logger, was arrested in New Westminster yesterday on a charge of forging W. Weaver's name to a small check.

Bruce Creighton, the notorious burglar and head of the gang, who terrorized Vancouver for two or three weeks will be tried at the spring assizes.

T. O. Allan, who died at Kootenay Lake hospital last week, was one of Vancouver's pioneers. He was a well-known railway and hotel man and previous to his death was managing the Hotel Clarke.

REVELSTOKE.

(From the Kootenay Mail.)

Government Agent Graham says the Great Western on the Arm is turning into a splendid property.

J. W. Haskins arrived from the Coast on Tuesday last and proceeded to pay up all accounts against the Orphan Boy Co. It is thought the company will be reorganized, but Mr. Haskins was not yet in a position to say so definitely.

F. C. Gamble, Dominion engineer, has been in town consulting with those who are familiar with the river as to the advisability of starting work on the canyon. It was decided not to start work till the ice breaks out as the rocks are said to be now covered over. Mr. Gamble did not say anything about the river bank work.

There was great rejoicing in Albert Canyon camp to hear of the success of Mr. John Grant in disposing of his mines to such a strong and influential company in London, Eng. While the figure is known to be very large it is undoubtedly true that the mines up the Forks are immensly rich and are fully worth the price obtained. It is understood that Mr. Grant's deal includes the Albert Canyon townsite, hitherto held by Mr. Skegstrom, and it is safe to predict that during the coming season as much attention will be paid to this locality as any in British Columbi. Those in a position to know claim that no portion of the province offers so many inducements to the prospector or capitalist as does Albert Canyon. The existing mines have already been proved to be extremely rich, while those which are mere locations and prospects are considered by eminent experts to have every indication of great promise and richness. The claims already staked are but a small proportion to those which will be located during the coming summer, and from the formation of the country it is surmised that just as rich prospects will yet be found as are now recorded.

KASLO.

(From the Kaslo Kootenaian.)

The Great Horn group on the North Fork of the Lardeau river is believed by experts to be the mother lode of the Lardeau river country. The ledge, from 20 to 40 feet wide, contact of slate and lime, is traceable on the surface for seven or eight miles. There are in the neighborhood 25 claims located on the ledge, all of which have good surface showings. The lead is of a galena proposition, carrying silver, lead and copper and a small percentage of gold.

Scarcely a day passes without a number of mining men from Rossland coming to Kaslo. They either examine properties in this vicinity or pass on to Sandon, New Denver or Slocan City. There appears to be a lively rivalry to secure properties wherever they can do so. Three months ago Rossland mining men paid little attention to the Slocan country. They knew that there were a number of very valuable properties, but their knowledge of the country was only general. Then it seemed to suddenly dawn on Rossland's brokers that Trail creek properties were not generally so attractive to investors as those in the Slocan. Then the rush began, and not a day passes without seeing Rossland and Spokane men endeavoring to secure claims.

Messrs. Macpherson and Snowden, who bonded the Big Five on Lardeau river for $100,000, will renew development work in a few weeks. This lead was located last summer by L. Thompson, H. Carter and J. Kirkpatrick just above the timber line on the mountain at the head of the gulch. The lead is a contact of slate and lime, a characteristic of all the best leads in that part of the country. The ledge is from 12 to 20 feet wide, carrying a large body of silver copper glance, galena, iron and copper. Assays from the lead have gone from 80 oz. to 8,000 oz. in silver besides considerable gold, copper and lead.

The Black Prince group of claims on Gainer creek, a tributary of the south fork of Lardeau river, will be a shipper next summer. A shaft 30 feet deep has been driven, tapping the lead at a depth of 200 feet. The ore is high grade. A fine lot of ore is now on the dump ready for shipment.

The Montezuma has added itself to the long list of shipping mines in the Slocan. Its first shipment was made Thursday to Aurora, Ill., and amounted to 27,000 pounds.

A telegram has been received from Toronto stating that D. M. Linnard has received the first payment in London on the sale of the Homestake group.

A company has been formed to develop the Mamie claim, near Slocan lake. This claim adjoins the Silver Hill and Old Chum properties. The company will take the name of the Lemon Creek Mining Company, and the property will be stocked at $100,000. It is located on the same lead that runs through the Silver Hill and Old Chum claims, which assays $1,200 in gold to the ton.

The Atlantic, an extension of the Abbott claims, has been bonded by J. C. Kirkpatrick to Eastern men for $10,000.

W. A. Campbell, of Rossland, has bought the Lusana and Morning Star No. 7 claims on Lemon creek, four miles from Slocan river. Mr. Campbell will stock the properties and Chicago men will become interested in them. The ledge is 20 feet wide, of which there are four feet of galena ore. The lead carries gold, also.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

The certificate of improvements has been issued to the Eureka No. 1 mineral claim belonging to the Old Flag company. On this claim a shaft has been sunk 50 feet on the footwall and a crosscut run 40 feet in ledge matter. This crosscut shows from four to five feet of ore assaying $13 per ton in all values. A crosscut tunnel has now been begun to tap the ledge at a depth of 150 feet.

A long open cut on the Sunset No. 2 property has been made within the last few days to determine the direction of the ledge and how far it can be traced. This cut begins at the bottom of the dump and runs in an easterly direction. The vein has been uncovered in for 200 feet, and will be continued to 500 feet, or the boundary line between the Sunset No. 2 claim and the Nest Egg, where a tunnel will be begun.

An official letter has been received by Martin King, manager of the Trail Mining Company, which owns and operates the Columbia and Kootenay mines, from the Geological Survey at Ottawa, stating that Mr. McConnell while looking over the Columbia and Kootenay mine found a specimen which contains gersdorffite, a rich nickel mineral. A Miner representative called on Professor Woodhouse to ascertain what gersdorffite was and was informed that it was a high grade nickel ore, closely resembling arsenopyrite or white iron. It assays about 20 per cent. in nickel when pure. Nickel is worth at the smelter about the same as copper, though its value when refined is more than twice as great.

It has been decided that Rossland should have a mining exchange, and a committee has been appointed to take the steps preliminary to organization.

Things are running very satisfactorily at the Lily May. Shaft No. 3 is down 70 feet. There are two and a half feet of ore in the bottom, which W. J. Harris, manager of the company, says will run from $18 to $20 in all values. Mr. Harris has purchased the old 7-drill compressor plant at Le Roi mine. A drill will be put in shaft No. 3, and as soon as the 100-foot level is reached another drill will be set to running a drift on the ore. Mr. Harris proposes to develop the Lily May in the same thorough manner as he has the Commander.

The foreman of the Royal Gold company states that the ledge in the 50-foot shaft is widening and also straightening. Work on the Crown Gold has exposed a splended ledge in the neighborhood of 10 feet wide: Further prospecting will be done on the big ledge to ascertain its direction and width, after which a tunnel will be run in to tap it at from 70 to 100 feet in depth.

RICHARDS VS. PRICE.

TO THE EDITOR:—In your report of this case in Sunday morning's issue you appear to have been greatly mislead by some person, for, as I am aware, your own reporter was not present in court.

Hardly anything therein stated took place; nothing was said about a shaft down about 180 feet, with a drift at a depth of 50 feet. Indeed, the only reference made to a shaft was that there was an old shaft on the land.

Again, there was nothing said about a syndicate; and so far from Mr. Price stating that he located a claim to protect a syndicate, he directly swore that he took it up for his own and his brother's (his partner's) interest only, and further swore that Mr. Vine, who located the Garibaldi claim on the 7th of January last on section 50, the adjoining lands to section 49, did so for his own and the Prices' benefit only, although they only claim together to own two-sevenths in the land. Nothing has ever been said to the owners of the other five-sevenths interest.

As there is other litigation now pending in reference to this matter, and as the ownership of the claim is still undecided, I ask you to insert this correction. I have no doubt that if you apply to the County court judge, Mr. Harrison, who tried the case, he will allow you to refer to his notes, which he took down in a very full and ample manner, and you can then, if you think it desirable, insert a full and correct report and ascertain the truth of the above.

J. P. WALLS,
Plaintiff's Solicitor.

Victoria, March 15, 1897.

[The statements complained of were not published as a part of the evidence given on the occasion referred to in Mr. Walls' letter, but as a history of the transaction, which apparently was not quite accurate.—EDITOR COLONIST.]

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TARIFF CHANGES IN THE UNITED STATES.

The session of congress now being held is for the purpose of trying the third experiment in tariff making in three years. In this connection a brief resume of recent United States political history may be timely. It will be recalled that when Cleveland took office in 1885 he found an overflowing treasury and a tariff that was producing revenue more rapidly even than an extravagant congress could expend it. His first message spoke of the necessity of reducing taxation in order to cut down the steadily accumulating surplus, which, as he pointed out, was a constant incentive to extravagance. He continued to urge these reductions, each message growing more emphatic than the preceding one, but as congress during his whole term was hostile to him, his appeals were without effect. It is to be remarked, however, that Cleveland's tariff reform policy was not prompted by any friendship for free trade or any hostility to the beneficiries of protection, but was simply based upon the fact that much more was being taken from the people in taxes than was needed for the public service.

It was very evident that Cleveland's views would prevail in the long run if something were not done to counteract them, and in the election of 1888 a tremendous effort was made by the manufacturing interests to defeat him and organize the national government upon such lines as would give them the control of the inevitable tariff changes. The idea favored by the Democratic party was that there should be a horizontal reduction of the tariff. This did not suit the manufacturers and the result was the election of Harrison and a Republican Congress, and the passing of the McKinley tariff.

The idea upon which the McKinley tariff was constructed was that the way to reduce revenue from customs was to reduce imports, and the way to reduce imports was to increase the duties, and thereby also to give greater protection. The result was as anticipated, that is to say, there was a reduction of imports, and also of revenue; but the imports fell off so much as to greatly disarrange the business of the country, and the revenue so dwindled away that the United States treasury was for the first time in years brought face to face with a series of deficits. The dislocation of trade and the concurrent disturbance of the financial market precipated hard times; so that although Preisdent Harrison was apparently warranted by the facts in declaring in his annual message in 1891 that the country never was so prosperous, he was overwhelmingly defeated in 1892, because of the cry of hard times, at least so the Republican press said at the time, and for the first time in thirty years a congress was elected with the Democrats in control of both branches. At the first regular session of the new congress, the Wilson tariff bill was introduced. By this time there had arisen a distinct demand for freer trade and the Wilson schedule was a step in that direction, although it was very far indeed from being a free trade measure. There is scarcely any doubt now in anyone's mind that this measure was framed with great skill and good judgment, but when the Senate got hold of it the influence of the sugar trust made itself felt, and the result was a compromise measure, which President Cleveland described as iniquitous. The new tariff failed to produce sufficient revenue and the deficits which had begun, though they were concealed, under the McKinley tariff grew so large as to assume threatening proportions. Concurrently came the demand upon the United States treasury for gold, the "bankers' panic" and the great depression, which swept the Democrats out of power.

The Republicans being back again another tariff change is in order and this is on lines not greatly different from the McKinley schedule. Whether there is any good reason to suppose that the Dingley tariff will be any more promotive of prosperity than the McKinley tariff remains to be seen; but there can be no disputing the proposition that the tariff experiments in the United States during the last seven years are unprecedented and have been of themselves sufficient to disturb the whole course of business.

THE POLICY OF PROGRESS.

We reprint in another place a short extract from the Mail and Empire, which we think very correctly sets out the principle upon which governments ought to act in granting aid to railways and other development projects. Expenditures in this direction are justified when a corresponding return to the country is assured. It is evident to everyone, for it has been proved to a demonstration, that British Columbia is a province of incomparable resources. We are not employing the language of exaggeration when we say that there is probably no part of the world awaiting the magic touch of capital and enterprise that gives better promise than this Province. Its dimensions are imperial and its wealth in keeping with its territorial magnitude. Almost every month discloses some new element in its prospective eminence from an industrial point of view. Either new discoveries of valuable ores or new methods of treating them keep those interested in mining on the alert all the time. The great results shown by those mining properties which are far enough advanced to be producers has challenged the attention of capitalists the world over. If ever an hour has struck in the history of any community, which marked the beginning of a new era of prosperity, such an hour has struck for British Columbia. We may approach the consideration of the policy which ought to influence the governments, federal and provincial, not as an isolated and struggling, province, whose future is uncertain, but with the confidence which comes from an assurance of success. Parliament and the provincial legislature, when they deal with prospects for the opening of this great province, may do so, not as for the betterment of the condition of a few small and scattered communities, but as the preparation for the advent of thousands of settlers and millions of capital. The British Columbia, which is concerning itself as to the best line of development policy to be adopted, may consist of only a hundred thousand people distributed over an area larger than the German empire; but the British Columbia which will enjoy the fruits of an enlightened and progressive policy, wisely administered, will be something very different.

We saw in the neighboring State of Washington how their population increased in a decade from 60,000 to nearly 400,000. But Washington never attracted as much attention as British Columbia is attracting to-day, and never had anything like as much to offer to the world of capital and enterprise as British Columbia has to offer to-day. There is not the least apparent reason why the wonderful progress of that state during the decade ending 1890 should not be more than duplicated in this Province during the next ten years, and we have the satisfaction of knowing that if it is duplicated the structure of prosperity will be reared upon a firm foundation. The time has arrived for the inauguration of a bold and aggressive policy. What may seem to be large responsibilities must be assumed, but there will be hundreds of thousands of new comers, vast new interests and enormous accumulations of wealth to bear the burden of them. We say with the Toronto paper, "governments are justified in making expenditures when the return to the country is assured."

IT is alleged that McKinley has determined upon a new line of policy in regard to the Nicaragua canal. He will use the influence of the United States to establish a new republic in Central America to embrace all the republics there and then to make a treaty giving the Washington government absolute control of the canal. This looks very well on paper, but every attempt made by Washington diplomats to accomplish anything specially favorable to the interests of their government in their negotiations with the Central or South American republics has resulted in flat failure. Uncle Sam is not very popular south of his own dominions.

THE tremendous floods in the Mississippi valley, while almost unprecedented in their severity, are only what seems to be a regular feature of that large and valuable section of country. During the last few years there have been repeated floods in the spring and droughts in the summer. So persistent have these been that some writers have suggested that the Mississippi valley is retrograding to desert conditions. It will be recalled by our older readers that the maps, with which they were familiar in their boyhood, had "the Great American Desert" laid down upon them. As settlement progressed Westward the desert disappeared and the common explanation was that the early explorers had been mistaken in supposing any large desert area to exist. Now it is suggested that there was actually a desert which did in point of fact disappear and that the conditions giving rise to it in the first instance are returning.

THE Vancouver World complains of the ignorance of British Columbia displayed by Ontario papers. How would it do for the legislature to vote an appropriation to send a missionary on geography to Ontario, to lecture on this Province with the aid of big wall maps? We have no doubt somebody could be persuaded to undertake the job.

THE government's water bill went through to second reading with scarcely a protest. Dr. Walkem placed himself on record as objecting to the government's being clothed with the powers conveyed by the bill; but in division he stood alone in his grandeur.

THE European mine is ready for a touch of the match. With the Greeks crossing the border and every available soldier in Athens being hurried to the frontier—any hour may bring on a collision, and the result no man need pretend to be able to foresee.

THE British Columbia Directory of Mines, with a digest of the mining laws, is a quarterly issued by Mr. Alexander Begg assisted by Mr. Archie Martin. It is conveniently arranged of handy size and contains a great deal of very useful information.

A REPORT comes from Europe that indicates the possibility of the Emperor William of Germany being deranged. A crazy sovereign on the throne of one of the great powers at this juncture is a terrible source of danger.

SOME United States scientific men have fitted out expeditions to determine where the Indians came from. Possibly a more important question is as to where they are going to.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

TRAIL CREEK ORES.

It is about time for the would-be experts and editors, who are continually harping about the refractory character of the ores in this camp, to change their tune. So far from this ore being refractory, it is now proved to be largely free milling, and what is not free milling, on account of its excess of iron, is so desirable for smelting that much of it has been treated for next to nothing.—Rossland Miner.

FIRM AS THE HILLS.

The mining industry of British Columbia is as everlasting as the hills and will form its chief source of revenue for all time to come. Therefore the sooner it is accepted as a sound business enterprise the quicker it will be acknowledged as such by the great financial centers of the world, from which it must draw its capital to develop its inexhaustible mineral wealth.—Rossland Record.

TRUE STATESMANSHIP.

A country of immense wealth awaits the application of industry, and while governments have no right to throw money away or to increase individual fortunes, they are justified in making expenditures where the return to the country is assured.—Mail & Express.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"What a buoyant, light-spirited, little thing Dolly is." "Yes; I think she must have a cork soul."—Philadelphia North American.

"Things seem to be coming my way at last," said the tragedian on the stage as he dodged another cabbage.—Somerville Journal.

Slumleigh—I don't see why you care so little for me. Miss Gyer—Have you ever taken a good look at yourself?—New York Town Topics.

Doses of whiskey are said to be good for fever and ague; but, then, one is liable to be accused of shaking for the drinks.—Adams Freeman.

Castleton—Fiddleback is making love to an heiress. "Ah, I heard him say that he was trying to get a large amount of capital interested in a reorganization scheme."—Life.

Bacon—Do you suppose it was modesty that prompted the author to withhold his name from that poem? Egbert—No; I think it was prudence.—Yonkers Statesman.

"George," she said, in a low voice, "would you make a great sacrifice for my happiness?"

"Certainly," he replied.

"Would you give up smoking for my sake?"

"Give up smoking for your sake?" he repeated. Then, after a silence, he exclaimed, hoarsely: "I can refuse you nothing. I will give up smoking for your sake. Hereafter when I smoke it will be for my own sake."—Tit-Bits.

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Having been requested by the Local Council of Women, through the President, to call a public meeting for the purpose of considering the best means of assisting and furthering the scheme of commemorating the celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, to be called the Victoria Order of Home Helpers, a public meeting will therefore be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday the 18th inst., at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

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THE CITY.

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MR. J. PERRY yesterday received the sad news of the death of his sister at Valleyfield, Quebec.

THE funeral takes place to-day from the family residence at Cloverdale of the late Abel Hill, sr., who died at the Jubilee hospital on Monday.

ST. PATRICK'S dinner at the Poodle Dog, with all the good old Irish dishes. Mrs. R. C. Davies, proprietress. x

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THE Sons of Erin celebrate St. Patrick's day by holding a smoking concert at the Pioneer hall this evening. Members are requested to be on hand early.

REV. J. B. HASLAM addressed a large audience at St. John's school room last evening, his subject, "Napoleon Bonaparte" being treated in a scholarly and thoroughly able and instructive manner.

THE steamer Thistle is expected home from Vancouver to-day. For several months past the steamer has been engaged carrying halibut down to the Terminal City from the Northern fishing grounds.

THE joint committee of Far West and Victoria lodges, K. of P., are making extensive preparations for the reception of Grand Chancellor Kennedy, who makes an official visit Thursday evening. A full attendance of the members is expected.

GRAND CHANCELLOR KENNEDY of New Westminster pays his first official visit ty the lodges in this city to-morrow, when he will be received and entertained at a joint session of Victoria and Far West lodges.

MR. JUSTICE DRAKE yesterday in Chambers made an order that in the cases of Marotti, Vitelli and Knapp, which are suits for damages against the Consolidated Railway Company for the Point Ellice bridge disaster, plaintiffs living in the province must give security for costs in $150. Messrs. McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard for the company; Mr. A. D. Crease for plaintiffs.

THE entertainment in aid of the High school fund by the Hext company and Walther, the world famous Belgian violinist, to be given on Tuesday evening next in the theatre, will be under the patronage of Lieut.-Governor Dewdney and Hon. Colonel Baker. Let no one who loves music, classical or popular, miss hearing Walther. By many he is considered superior to Remenyi. The Chicago Tribune says of him: "He is the only violinist since Ole Bull's time who has succeeded in pleasing the masses."

YESTERDAY afternoon Captain Walbran, fishery officer, ordered the seizure of some salmon roe, exposed in the stall of William Beckman, Johnson street. Mr. Beckman later in the day appeared before Captain Walbran in the Provincial court, pleaded ignorance of the law, and was discharged with a caution. The seizure was made under section 8, subsection 12, of the fisheries act. It will perhaps be as well for the fishermen of British Columbia to know that no salmon or grilse of less weight than three pounds shall be caught or killed, but, if caught by accident in nets lawfully used for other fish, they must be liberated alive at the cost and risk of the person who catches them.

THE GREEK NATION

Thankful to the United States for Expressions of Sympathy.

WASHINGTON, March 16. — Secretary Sherman to-day sent to the senate a note received from D. N. Botassi, consul-general at New York, transmitting a cablegram from the Greek minister of foreign affairs in acknowledgment of a resolution agreed to by the senate before the expiration of last session, expressing sympathy with the Cretan revolutionists. The cablegram is as follows: "To the U. S. Senate:—The warm thanks of the Greek nation as well as the government of Greece are due, expression of its sympathy, which are a most valuable assistance to us, towards the accomplishment of our natural aspirations."

New Canvas Art Draperies at The White House.

Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occidental x

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE FIGHT.

Arrangements for the "Mill"—Condition of the Men—Opinions of an Expert.

The North Pacific Oarsmen Delegates Home Again—Wheelmen Discuss Athletic Amalgamation.

The big prize fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett is timed to start this morning at 10 o'clock, dispatches from Carson stating that the town is full of sports anxious to have a sight of the contest. In spite of this though the crowd did not seem a betting one and were chary of putting up their money on either man. In New York, though there was plenty of talk about what people wanted to do, the only really big bet was $10,000 on Corbett against $7,500 on Fitzsimmons. The lightness of the betting seems to show that the Corbett admirers are a little bit afraid to back their man, for in New York when it was reported last night that there was $50,000 to put up on Corbett a number of Fitzsimmons men started out to take it up promptly, but found it was only a canard.

THE FEELING AT HOME.

In Victoria as everywhere else apparently, the betting is a decidedly variable proposition upon to-day's battle at Carson, Fitzsimmons and Corbett alternating with beautiful inconsistency. During the past few days Lanky Bob has been much favored in the discussions of prospects, but when the crucial point of staking money is reached, "fading" appears the order of the day. There is perhaps less than $2,000 in all wagered in Victoria, with odds on Corbett. The battle is scheduled to commence at 10 o'clock this morning—Carson City time, which is about 30 minutes ahead of Victoria time. The round-by-round report is to be bulletined at the Garrick Head and the Delmonico.

CARSON, March 16.—Fitzsimmons did not work to-day with the exception of taking a mile run. He took a bath and trotted home again. This comprised all his work for the day. Fitz remained indoors nearly all the afternoon. William Muldoon, the wrestler, called to-day and Fitz stripped to allow the wrestler to take a look at his physical condition. Muldoon expressed himself as greatly pleased with his condition and said to a friend he believed that Fitzsimmons had an excellent chance. He based his opinion more upon the disposition of the two men than upon anything else. He said the course of training which Corbett had pursued had made him nervous and irritable and that Fitz is as cool as anyone can be and he thinks on this account that he has a greater chance of winning. Muldoon said Corbett has trained for the fight by doing the things that he will be obliged to do in the ring and has trained on very little else. Fitz, on the other hand, has done the sort of work to make him quick and strong and has not run the risk of making himself stale by doing what he would be compelled to do when he faces his antagonist.

Corbett is in the finest condition as far as his body is concerned, but I have never seen him so nervous as at this time. Fitz is as steady as it is possible for a man to be. He

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Cures Talk

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'MACDONALD'S' MISHAP

Further Particulars of the Schooner's Narrow Escape From Foundering at Sea.

A Review of February's Shipping. The "City of Topeka" Sails North Crowded.

In their monthly freight and shipping report for February, just issued, R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., have the following: "During the month there has been a slight recovery in wheat freights and at the close 16s. 3d. net to Cork for orders may be quoted. There is however no disposition on the part of owners to charter freely at that figure; they are more inclined to wait for a new crop loading. The prospects for a bountiful harvest this season are excellent, so no doubt the surplus available for export will be large. Rates for lumber vessels still maintain an upward tendency and the quotations for most destinations show some advance on those ruling a month ago. Our annual statement of the British Columbia pack of salmon will be found attached. Considering that 1896 was what is known as an "off" year, the total of 601,570 cases is not a little surprising. Various theories have been put forward to account for this, but the truth appears to be that the operations of the hatchery are now beginning to bear fruit, although of course considerable allowance must be made for the increased number of canneries engaged."

THE "MACDONALD" MISHAP.

A letter, partially confirmatory and partially contradictory of the dispatch received on Monday, came yesterday to Mrs. Cutler, the wife of Captain Cutler, of the sealing schooner Agnes Macdonald, giving fuller particulars of the vessel's misfortune. It states that the schooner was 700 miles west of Honolulu when the accident to her rudder occurred. The weather was terribly rough at the time and all on board thought that their "last" hour had come—that they would never reach Honolulu, the port the schooner was headed for. Circumstances, however, turned out differently and the good schooner, the pride and admiration of her skipper, made the backward voyage in the quick time of twelve days. Her main boom was fortunately no broken as reported for had it been so the vessel's predicament would have been much more serious. Captain Cutler when writing did not intend to stay long in port, but expected to hurry away as soon as the schooner's rudder was replaced.

THE HARBOR IS TOO SMALL.

NEW YORK, March 16.—S. Asano, president of the new Oriental steamship line which is to ply between Japan and the United States, was in this city last night. Mr. Asano, it is said, has been negotiating with the Santa Fe line for a traffic arrangement, but this is said to have failed. The cause given is that the Santa Fe terminals are at San Diego, and this harbor is not large enough to accommodate the ships which will be used. It was said that a traffic arrangement had been practically agreed upon between the Southern Pacific and the new Oriental line. The Southern Pacific has access to the harbor of San Francisco. Mr. Asano started for Niagara Falls last night, and after a short stay there will proceed to Japan.

BOUND ALASKAWARDS.

Though crowded with passengers and freight, the steamer City of Topeka sailing for Alaska yesterday morning left no one behind here desirous of going northward. Eight people who took steerage passage formed a party of French-Canadians who arrived here from New York a few days ago and who are bound up the Yukon. The other four passengers who embarked at Victoria are going in the same direction. Supplies and provisions constituted the bulk of the cargo, which also included, however, a small quantity of live stock. Report comes from the Sound of the practice of duping the unwary passenger out of more than he should pay for his fare.

BUILDING AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Thursday will see two more of Uncle Sam's new war crafts slip from the ways at the Union Works to take their places in the line of the white fleet. When these two fighters go into commission they will be known as the Wheeling and the Maretta. When they are ready for action they will represent a value of $240,000 each. From the keel up to the water line the hulls are of pine and for two feet above this point they are built of teak. The rest is five-eight-inch steel. Over the pine planking of the bottoms copper sheathing will be laid.

AN EXCELLENT MAP.

The new time-table of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., announced in the COLONIST a few days ago, is a very comprehensive work and gives not only the customary information about steamers, their dates of arrival, departure and connections, but in a map attached the Yukon and its tributaries, its leading stations, and the route of river boats, and Coast points of interest are shown. A very good idea of what is British and what is not is also conveyed by the map, which for handy reference is perhaps unexcelled.

COOK'S INLET STEAMERS.

The Alaska Commercial Company has decided to run its steamers next summer from Juneau to Tyoonock, Cook's Inlet, direct, leaving Juneau on April 15, April 29, May 12, May 25, and semi-monthly thereafter. The charge will be, cabin, $30; steerage, $10; freight, $10 per ton, says the Douglas Miner. This will enable Juneau merchants to compete for the outfitting of those intending to visit Cook's Inlet. Hitherto a very small portion of the trade has come here, as most of the Cook's Inlet travel was direct from the Sound.

TO-DAY THE "AORANGI" SAILS.

The steamship Aorangi, the new acquisition to the Canadian-Australian line, is scheduled to sail from London on her roundabout trip to the Pacific Northwest to-day. The steamer, as previously announced, will call at Teneriffe, Capetown, Melbourne and Sydney, at the last mentioned port taking her place in the regular service, sailing from there on May 10, via Auckland, Suva and Honolulu and arriving at Vancouver during the first week in June.

THE MISSING SCHOONER.

Capt. Carbon, says a dispatch from Honolulu, does not believe that the schooner Aida, bound from Yokohama to Port Townsend, and reported on February 18 to be 45 days overdue, is lost. Capt. Carbon left Port Townsend on his outward voyage only two weeks later than the Aida, and has made an unusually fast trip, arriving here February 22. He says it is not reasonable to give up the vessel for lost under the circumstances.—News-Advertiser.

TUG OCCIDENT WRECKED.

TILLAMOOK, Or., March 16.—As the steam tug Occident was endeavoring to enter the mouth of the Nehalem river, Friday, she went ashore on the south spit, and is now a total wreck. The vessel was valued at $5,000.

MARINE NOTES.

Tug Lorne in towing the lumber laden ships Speke to sea yesterday was obliged to leave the vessel in Clallam bay owing to the prevailing strong southwester. This evening the tug tows the British ship Dunboyne, now at the outer wharf, to Vancouver.

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The Irish concert under the auspices of Perseverance lodge, I.O.G.T., given in the Temperance hall last evening, under the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown, evidently filled a "long felt want," for the place, if it were half its size larger, would have been crowded, a large number being turned away.

The programme was full of "gems," but so arranged that the rollicksome was succeeded always by the plaintive—all in Irish sentiment. The Misses Milne and Baker and Messrs. Kinnaird and Brown made up an excellent quartette, whose appearance several times during the evening was met with a thoroughly Irish reception. In one number their composition was changed, Mr. Muir taking the director's place. Then Mr. J. G. Brown sang alone on different occasions, and his choice of music gave good scope for his always popular baritone. Mr. James Pilling was another favorite, whose tenor was perhaps never more catchy.

Mrs. Gregson's song, "Kathleen Mavorneen," was one of the strongest attractions on the programme, her flexible mezzo-soprano seeming to be splendidly adapted to the song. Messrs. N. Muir and F. Sehl were the only male soloists and both appeared in their best voice. Some difficult Irish airs were played very creditably on the violin by Miss Blackie. Messrs. Richardson and Goward contributed laughable comic sketches, and a recitation by Mr. A. Semple, which gave everyone amusement, was the only other number. Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken made a capital chairman.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

TUESDAY, March 16, 1897.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. Canon Beanlands.

Mr. Adams introduced a bill entitled "An act relating to the employment of Chinese on works carried on under franchises granted by private acts." This act, of which the short title is the "Alien Labor Act, 1897," provides shortly that in any act passed by the legislature giving any person or body corporate the right of "erecting a bridge, making a railway, tramway, turnpike road, telegraph or telephone line, the construction or improvement of a harbor, canal, loch, dam, slide or other like work, the right of ferry, the right of carrying on any trade, business, occupation, or calling, the giving, granting or confirming to such person or body corporate any property rights or privileges whatsoever, or for the amendment to a former act of a like nature which has not already similar provisions, no Chinese shall be employed in connection with or in relation to any of the works, rights, trade, business, occupation or property given, granted, confirmed, authorized or affected by the act."

Penalties are provided of fines not less than $10 nor more than $25 for every Chinese employed contrary to the act. The offender shall be liable to separate penalties for every day any Chinese are employed.

The bill was read a first time, second reading to-morrow.

STATUTE REVISION.

Mr. Macpherson asked the Attorney-General: 1. Have any payments been made to the late commissioner to revise the statutes since the first of May up to the period of the cancellation of the first commission, or to the present time? 2. If so, what are the amounts and the dates of such payments? 3. If so, under what authority are such payments made? 4. Has any claim been made by the said late commissioner, verbally or in writing, for any amount in connection with the completion of the revision? 5. Does the late commissioner claim that the revision of the statutes has been completed?

Hon. D. M. Eberts replied:

1. "Yes."

2. "July 3, 1896, $1,000; Sept. 4, 1896, $500; Jan. 4, 1897, $1,000; Feb. 27, 1897, $3,500.

3. "The first three amounts by a vote of the legislature and the last under section 7 of the Revised Statutes Act, 1895, and by special warrant issued under authority of an order in council dated Feb. 27, 1897."

4. "No."

5. "I cannot say; they are being revised."

HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

The house went into committee of the whole on the Lunacy bill, Mr. Stoddart in the chair.

The title of the act was changed on an amendment moved by Dr. Walkem, to the Hospital for the Insane Act, 1897.,'

In section 40, providing that where a person legally responsible for a patient's maintenance is able to pay for his support he must do so; the last three lines of the section, which provided that the patient would be discharged if such persons refused to pay, was struck out.

Another amendment was one proposed by Dr. Walkem providing against any medical man signing a certificate of lunacy in any case where the patient is his relative.

The bill was reported complete with amendments, and report put down for consideration on Thursday.

WATER CLAUSES CONSOLIDATION ACT.

Hon. D. M. Eberts in moving the second reading of the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, said that this bill had the formal title set out at greater length than was customary in order to convey at the outset an idea of the main purposes sought to be effected, which were:

1. To confirm to the crown (following the principle of the Water Privileges Act of 1892) all the unrecorded and unappropriated water and water power in the province;

2. To consolidate and amend the law relating to the acquisition of water rights and privileges for ordinary, domestic, mining and agricultural purposes (including all ordinary cases of mechanical and industrial use;

3. For making adequate provision for municipal water supply (this branch being extended to facilitate the construction of waterworks systems in parts of the province which, although unincorporated, may contain sufficient population to warrant the construction of a system;

4. For the application of water power to industrial and mechanical purposes, in this branch of the act being contained all the provisions relating to electric light, tramway and power companies, irrigation companies, and companies having for their object the generation or procuring of power from the use of water rights.

These four main purposes formed the subject of the first four parts of the Act, the remaining parts 5 and 6 dealing with the procedure upon expropriation of lands, the exercise of powers incidental thereto and the regulations for facilitating the carrying out of the act and the repeal of the different acts and sections of acts with which this bill now deals. Having thus analyzed to a certain extent the title which outlined the general scope of the act, the attorney general proceeded to indicate the guiding principles which had been kept in view in preparing the bill. It had been considered essential in the public interest that as far as possible specific and adequate provision should first be made to render all water rights vested in the crown available as a source of supply to the people for domestic purposes and to the agriculturist and to the miner for the purposes of their respective callings, and to all municipalities and populous localities for waterworks purposes. Subject to the supply of water for these purposes the bill deals with the needs of certain classes requiring water for certain industrial and mechanical purposes so as to render the entire water supply available for the requirements of every bona-fide industrial or mechanical undertaking in the province, subject to such rules and regulations as will ensure economical acquisition and use. The first portion of the act defines unrecorded water as being all water which for the time being is not held under and used in accordance with a record under this act or under acts repealed hereby or under special grant by public or private act, and shall include all water for the time being unappropriated or unoccupied or not used for a beneficial purpose, and part 1 declares all recorded water to be vested in the crown in the right of the province; next that no title to the diversion of water shall be acquired by length of use or prescription or otherwise than by direct legislative authority. The first part of the act was not more than a resume of the Water Privileges act of 1892, declaring all water to be vested in the crown, and section 5 sets forth that "no right to the permanent diversion or the exclusive use of water shall be acquired by any riparian owner or by any other person by length of use or otherwise than as may be acquired or conferred under the provisions of this act or of some existing or future act of parliament." That was the same law as it stood on the statute book to-day.

Part 2 of the act dealt with the recording of water for domestic, agricultural and mining purposes, and also for mechanical and industrial purposes. Section 7 of this act was new and set out that "every right, power and privilege conferred by and acquired under this part of the act shall be subject to and conditional upon the reasonable use for the purposes for which such right, power or privilege is conferred and acquired." This was a declaration that he felt sure would meet with general approbation. Agriculturists could get as much water as they required for land and domestic purposes, and the provisions in the mining and placer acts in regard to water were retained under the same conditions. The act was not retroactive in effect. Reference was then made to the sections in this part of the act providing for leave to apply for water that has been granted on a lease, but not used, and for obtaining interim records for non-user by the original recorder. Provision had also been made for better security being given as protection against loss or damage to persons whose lands were crossed by works used for the diversion of water.

Part 3 dealt, it was explained, with the supply of water to towns, cities or unincorporated localities. Provisions were made for a municipality to carry on water works systems and to expropriate water rights already recorded, if deemed necessary, for a proper supply for household purposes by the municipality, provisions being made for payment of damages for the works so expropriated. There were also powers bo which a water company might supply a municipality by arrangement with that municipality and there were provisions for carrying on waterworks, if needed, in unincorporated localities. Clauses in the act empowered a municipality to expropriate waterworks companies' systems on payment of the value as laid down in the act.

In looking through part 3 it would be seen that the rules and regulations for carrying on water companies were rather elaborate, but it was believed that if a company took advantage of these sections they could get to work quicker and in a simpler manner than in coming to the house for a private bill.

Part 4 was for the purpose of having a comprehensive and uniform method of meeting the wants of all companies desiring to utilize water and water power for the purposes of their undertakings and in order to carry out the spirit of the act it was intended to introduce in a very short time a companies' clauses act on the basis of the rules long in force in England relating to companies of this kind. Companies incorporating under this act must make elaborate statements of their requirements and their scope to the Lieut.-Governor in council, who would make inquiries into the solvency of the company and their ability to carry out their proposed works.

The last part of the act dealt with the repeal of former enactments and regulations and section 151 gives the Lieut.-Governor in council power to regulate and adjust the tolls and charges to be made and levied by power companies. After touching on other features in the bill the Attorney-General closed by saying that the bill was very comprehensive and was submitted in the hope that it would merit general approval. There might be some clauses which might not be altogether acceptable, but these might be altered in committee if thought advisable. He would now move the second reading.

Mr. Semlin had listened with pleasure to the Attorney-General, but he was of opinion that a bill of such large scope as this should have been brought down earlier. He hoped it would meet the requirements, but he was of opinion that a less elaborate act might have been better earlier in the session. He would not oppose the second reading, but wished it to be understood that the opposition would not feel responsible if the act required a considerable amendment next session.

Mr. Cotton complimented the Attorney-General on his evident desire to bring in a comprehensive act dealing with the water question. From what the Attorney-General had said changes in detail might be necessary to make the measure workable, but there could be only unqualified approval of the proposition that the holding of water only went with the reasonable use of it, and that no person or company could lock up water without making use of it. He thought some amendments might be made to make the act almost automatic in its working and that the Lieut.-Governor in Council would only have to interfere in extreme cases. He would like to see some better way of measuring water than by miner's inches.

Mr. Sword also said he would like to see some clauses changed in committee and some sections put in to provide for the crown getting a revenue for the use of the water.

Dr. Walkem expressed himself as of the opinion that the bill put too much power in the hands of the government.

The bill was read a second time and on the call for names Dr. Walkem was the only one who voted against it.

The railway committee reported the preambles provided in the Vancouver & Lulu Island Railway bill; Victoria, Vancouver & Westminster bill; Cariboo Railway bill; and the Delta, New Westminster & Eastern bill.

The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. D. M. Eberts—To ask leave to introduce an "Act for consolidating in one act certain provisions usually inserted in acts with respect to the capitalization of companies incorporated for carrying on undertakings of a public nature.

Mr. Booth—To insert in the West Kootenay Power and Light Company bill an amendment to the effect that construction shall commence two months from date of the order in council sanctioning the construction unless for cause shown. The company shall begin the construction of its lines within six months and have them so far completed as to furnish power in the vicinity of Rossland within two years.

By Mr. Helmcken—For documents and correspondence in connection with the recent visit of provincial constable McKenna to Nitinat.

NOTICES OF QUESTION.

By Captain Irving—To ask the Attorney-General: Has the Dominion Government any jurisdiction as to fishery matters on the inland waters and non-navigable streams of this province, and do the fishery regulations for British Columbia unless enacted by the Dominion parliament apply to the before mentioned waters of this province?

Mr. McGregor—To ask the Attorney-General what action does the government intend to take with reference to the appeal from the recent decision of the Superior Court re the Coal Mines Regulation Act.

WOMAN FRANCHISE.

TO THE EDITOR:—The women of British Columbia are petitioning the legislature for the franchise, and let us hope the legislature will give due consideration to their petition. The following clause ought to, at this juncture, appeal forcibly to the loyalty of every member of the house: "As a tribute to Her Majesty Queen Victoria on the celebration of her diamond jubilee, your petitioners believe it would be a fitting and graceful act on the part of the legislature in session in the city which bears Her Majesty's name, to show their appreciation of Her Majesty by granting to those of her sex in this province equal rights of citizenship with men."

Why should women not have equal rights of citizenship with men? Is there one single argument that will "hold water" which can be advanced against according them this justice? or one objection which has not been exploded where the question has been fairly threshed out? In New Zealand the granting of electoral privileges to women has been attended with the happiest results, and a great many measures of reform have been passed during the last few years. In that sister colony every person, male or female, of the age of 21, who has resided there for twelve months and in the electoral district for three months, is entitled to have his or her name upon the roll. Women asked for a vote because they knew that those outside the legislative pale have always suffered and must, while the world is selfish, continue to suffer from legislative neglect. They saw their poorer sisters sweated, starved, homeless, miserable, deserted wives and mothers, toiling for a few pence, deprived not only of the pleasures but of the bare necessaries of existence, and they asked for a vote in order that these neglected children of the state might have—as men who suffer the same deprivations have—the protection that a vote affords. They formed themselves into women's franchise leagues throughout the colony and they asked the government for the franchise, and they got it. It was not a question which divided parties; the ablest statesmen on both sides were in favor of it, Conservative and Liberal alike.

It would take more time than I have now at my disposal and more space than you would care to allot me, to enter fully into the history and progress of woman's suffrage in New Zealand, but a brief outline of her influence and intelligent assistance in the arts of legislation may be given. If the women of British Columbia do not succeed this time in their noble aspirations, let them not lose courage but go forward and organize, and agitate, and stand together, as their sisters under the Southern Cross have done, for they must like them be trusted. In the advance of education and Christian socialism and the wide sphere of womanhood the 20th century woman everywhere will be freed from the rust-eaten fetters of the past. Perhaps before the end of this century, (may hap this session) the women of British Columbia will cease to be "chattels." Then would the law-givers of the province deserve to have their names "writ large" in history.

The women of New Zealand have for their aim the improvement of the condition of the masses, the protection of the wage earners, particularly of their own sex, the promotion of social purity, old age pensions and other progressive measures. To carry succor to those who want it, apart from political expedients or fiscal policies or any considerations on God's earth is the basis of their humanitarian efforts, and the basis of all good government, and more important than questions of tariff or finance which they leave to men. Our universities, like the ballot box, are open to all, irrespective of sex, and our political woman is just as charming as our "sweet girl graduate"—she is just as good a wife and mother and housekeeper as before the franchise. She is not, as some outsiders are apt to imagine, a talker but a worker, and her work is sure and steady—for God and home and humanity.

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"ZEALANDIA."

ALDERMANIC QUALIFICATION.

TO THE EDITOR:—As the provincial legislature is now in session and certain amendments to the Municipalities Act are contemplated, some remarks upon the qualification now required by the act to be held by aldermen will perhaps be in order.

At present the qualification by law required is that every alderman must have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner of land or real property in the city of the assessed value on the assessment roll of $500 or more, over and above any registered charge.

In the provincial legislature, which creates the municipality, and is therefore its superior, the only qualification required of its members is that they be British subjects and resident within the province for one year previous to the date of election.

Since no property qualification is therefore required in the superior body, can any reason be advanced why the inferior one should be rendered the more exclusive?

Again, under the present Municipalities Act we find that men holding the above qualification, but having no established business or other interest in the city, have been elected to and filled the office of aldermen, while on the other hand, others who have had many thousand dollars invested in the city either as merchants or in other ventures, have been excluded from participating in the management of the city's affairs simply because they have not seen fit to invest the required amount in the necessary few square feet of land requisite to give them the aldermanic qualification.

The merchant with capital invested in his stock in trade, or the manufacturer, has certainly a deeper interest in the welfare and prosperity of the city than has the mechanic residing upon his $500 lot in the outskirts of the city. I would however exclude neither, but on the other hand, would strongly advocate the abolition of all property qualification in aldermanic candidates, and let the only requirement be that they be British subjects, resident within the municipality, and that their names at the time of nomination be upon the voters' list of the municipality.

I shall be pleased if this communication brings forth some discussion upon this subject, as it is in my opinion one of great importance, and a change in the direction indicated would undoubtedly make our municipal councils more representative than they hitherto have been.

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Dated this 24th day of February, 1897.

F. B. PEMBERTON,
fe28 Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, by the Yukon Mining, Trading and Transportation Company, (Foreign), for an act authorizing and empowering the said Company to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from the head of steamboat navigation on Taku Inlet by the most direct and feasible route to Teslin Lake, with all necessary sidetracks, switches, turnouts and terminal facilities; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks, to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for railway and other purposes.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of February, A.D. 1897.

P. L. PACKARD,
fell-d&w On behalf of the said Company.

NOTICE.

The British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing it to issue bonds to the extent of thirty thousand dollars per mile of its railway including an extension from its eastern terminus in an easterly direction to MacLeod or to a point on the line of the Calgary and MacLeod Railway and thence easterly to Lethbridge, and to make such agreements for conveying or leasing the Company's railway and its rights and powers as is usually given to railway companies in their acts of incorporation, and for other purposes.

GEMMILL & MAY,
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Ottawa, 20th January, 1897. ja28

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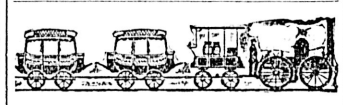

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Tenders will be received at H. M. Naval Yard Esquimalt on behalf of the Crown, until noon of Saturday, the 20th March, 1897 for the purchase of the confiscated sealing schooners "Beatrice" and "Viva," now lying in Esquimalt harbor with their equipment as they now stand, of masts, sails, rigging, cables, anchors, boats, etc., etc.

The schooners may be viewed on application to the chief boatswain, Esquimalt yard, and tenders must be addressed to the naval storekeeper endorsed "Tenders for Sealing Schooners."

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order of the COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Esquimalt Yard, March 6th, 1897.

VALUABLE • FARM • PROPERTY FOR SALE.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to the 20th day of March, 1897, for the purchase of Sunnyside Farm, consisting of 1,300 acres more or less, about 300 acres of which are under cultivation. The said farm lies on the west side of the Fraser river, about thirty miles from the town of Quesnelle, Cariboo district, and is at the door of the Cariboo gold mines market. The farm is well supplied with water for irrigation purposes. In connection with it and forming part thereof, is offered 400 acres of meadow land, situate about fifteen miles west of the main body of the farm in Chilcotin.

On the said farm are about 600 cattle of all ages, and about 80 horses, besides a full equipment of the latest farming machinery, including mowers, self-binder, thresher, etc., etc., all of which are to be sold therewith. Good dwelling houses, outhouses, stables, etc., are on the premises.

The title is Crown Grant.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned. D. MURPHY,
47 Langley St., Victoria,
fg21 Solicitor for the Owners.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.
January 2nd 1897. ja12

NOTICE OF SALE BY SHERIFF.

Pursuant to the "Execution Act."

In the County Court of Vancouver Holden at Vancouver, Between The British Columbia Mills Timber & Trading Co., Limited Liability, Plaintiffs, and Nils Christian Hjorth, Defendant.

In obedience to a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the County Court of Vancouver holden at Vancouver and to me directed in the above mentioned suit for the sum of $325.74 and $7.50 for costs of execution and also interest on $325.74 at 6 per cent. per annum on the 24th day of October, A.D. 1896, besides sheriff's poundage, officers' fees and all other legal incidental expenses, I have seized and will offer for sale by public auction at the Court House, Front Street, in the City of Nanaimo, on Saturday, 20th day of March, A.D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title and interest of Nils Christian Hjorth, the defendant, in the lands described in this advertisement, or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment, debt and cost in this action.

District.	*No. of Lots.*	*Concise Description of Property*	*Estate or Interest.*
Coast.	Lot 156. Range 1.	160 acres.	Equitable Interest.

When to be Sold.	*Where to be Sold.*
The 20th day of March, A.D. 1897, at the hour 12 o'clock noon.	At the Court House, Front Street, in the City of Nanaimo.

The above judgment was registered at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, on the 24th day of October, A.D. 1896.

The following charges appear registered against the said defendant and his interest in the said lands:

1. Judgment of Arthur N. Smith against Nils Christian Hjorth, registered 30th December, 1896, for $106.83.

2. Judgment of the British Columbia Mills Timber & Trading Company, Limited Liability, agains Nils Christian Hjorth for $325.74, registered 24th October, 1896

3. Certificate of Lis Pendens in a certain action between Nils Christian Hjorth, plaintiff, and Arthur Neville Smith, defendant, registered 17th August, 1896.

S. DRAKE,
Sheriff for the County of Nanaimo.
Dated at Nanaimo this 8th day of March, 1897.
mr12

British Barque "Waterloo,"

(Fellows, Master.)
From Liverpool, Eng.

This vessel will commence discharging cargo at the Outer Wharf to-day, the 4th inst. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading and pay freight at the office of the undersigned. All goods left on the wharf after 5 p.m. each day will be stored in warehouse at consignees' risk and expense.

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British Barque "Waterloo,"

(Fellows, Master.)
From Liverpool, Eng.

Neither the Master nor the undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew without a written order.

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TWO DEVILS.

Flaming Flame was a devil red—
This is what the old Northmen said—
A demon subtle and swift and sly,
Who lived upon wood that was old and dry.
The Northmen fell on their knees for fear
Lest Flaming Flame should come too near.
For his bite was deadly and sharp, they said,
And his tongue was cruel and long and red.
Flaming Flame
Was the devil's name.
This is what the old Northmen said.

Riminy Rime was a devil white,
Who drove his horses at dead of night
And combed their manes, with the wild winds fast,
As he called their names—Hail, Snow and Frost.
And the Northmen fell on their knees to cry
As Riminy Rime went driving by.
They shivered and shook with an awful dread,
For he split great rocks at a glance, they said.
Riminy Rime
Was feared in his time.
This is what the old Northmen said.

Flaming Flame was a devil red,
Who ate dry wood, so the Northmen said.
Riminy Rime was a devil white,
Who split up rocks in the dead of night.
But little Goo Goo, in his cradle warm,
Loves Flaming Flame and fears no harm,
While Riminy Rime at the window, too,
Draws beautiful scenes for little Goo Goo.
Flaming Flame
Was a devil's name.
Riminy Rime
Was feared in his time.
But who cares a fig what the Northmen say,
For little Goo Goo knows better than they.
—Nell K. McElhone in Youth's Companion.

A LAZY LOVER.

"Mighty souls!" the patriarch cried, flattening his nose against the grimy window pane and peering out into the storm. "Jest look at it a-comin down! Hed I 'a' know'd we was a-goin to hev it like this, you'd 'a' seen me a-leavin home—you'd 'a' seen me a-leavin home."

The old man thoughtfully stroked his bushy beard. He felt that he had met but just retribution for coming to the store to loaf. When, an hour before, he had awakened from a doze in his arm-chair, picked up his stout stick and hobbled to the village, the sky was clear and blue. Not a cloud was visible anywhere, and the sun was blazing down on the fields of yellow grain that he overlooked from the porch of his little house on the hill. But the storm, as storms do in that mountainous part of Pennsylvania, was gathering its force unseen behind the neighboring mountains, piling black cloud on black cloud, and then, like an army charging on a sleeping enemy, it swept forth from its hiding place amid the flash of lightning and the crash of thunder and deluged the valley.

"My, oh, my!" muttered the old man. "It serves me right. I ought to 'a' know'd better. Whenever I runs down here for a minute's loaf, it rains. Never a team comes along to give me a lift home, an I hez to paddle back in me leaky old boots."

He hobbled to his chair by the empty stove, about which were gathered the men of the village, despite the fact that no fire blazed within and cold weather was far ahead.

"I hope the company hain't displeasin," snapped the chronic loafer. He knocked the ashes out of his pipe, refilled and lighted it and sprawled out upon the counter, pillowing his back against a pile of calicoes.

"Not at all, at all. It's the loafin I hate. I never could loaf," said the old man, glancing at the prostrate form.

The chronic loafer made no reply save a faint "Huh!"

"Jest because a felly sets around the stove hain't no sign he's lazy," said the miller warmly.

"Far be it from me from sayin so, boys, far be it," said the patriarch, stroking his beard. "But, as I was sayin awhile ago, I don't want to git inter no such habits as Absalom Bunkel."

"Abs'lom Bunkel—Bunkel—Bunkel?" repeated the shoemaker, punctuating his remarks with puffs of tobacco smoke.

"Bunkel—Bunkel?" said the storekeeper inquiringly, tapping the end of his nose with his pencil.

"Who the heck's Abs'lom Bunkel?" the loafer cried.

"Absalom Bunkel was a man as was naturally so lazy it was a credit to him every time he moved," the patriarch began. "You uns knows the ole lawg house thet stands where Big run crosses the road over the mo'ntain. It's all tumbled down now. They ain't no daubin atween the lawgs. The chimbley's fallen; the fence hez gone, an the lot's choked up with weeds. It's a forlorn place, but when I was a lad it was jest about the slickest thing along the ridge yander. That's where Absalom Bunkel lived an his pap lived before him. Absalom's pap was a stingy man—so stingy he'd squeeze a cent till the Injun yelled. Consequent, when he died, he left Absalom a fortune of $700. It was a fort'nate thing fer the son, fer he'd much rather 'a' set on the porch a-listenin to the birds an watchin the bees hummin over the sunflowers, with the pangs of hunger a-gnawin throo his insides, than to 'a' worked.

"Now, Absalom was afore my time, but I heard all about him from my pap, an what my pap said was allus true—true as gawspel, it was. When ole man Bunkel died, Absalom was 35 year old. He didn't go off spendin his fortune. Not much. He jest set right down on a rockin chair on the front porch an let his sister Nancy tend the house. Nance milked the cow, Nance made the garden, Nance done the housework an come to store. He done nothin—absolute nothin.

"He was never outer bed afore sun up. Ef it was warm, he'd set on the leetle porch all day, lookin over the walley, watchin the folks goin by an the birds a-swoopin along the fiel's or throo the trees, listenin to the bees a-buzzin aroun the garden, to the dreamy hum of natur', fer to do him credit he loved natur'. Ef it was cold, he set all day be the fireplace a-bakin his shins. Once in awhile Nance'd fergit to leave him wood when she went out fer a spell. Does he cut some? Not him. He jest goes to the nearest possible fence rail, kerrys it inter the house, sticks one end inter the fire an keeps a-pushin it in as it burns off.

"Now, it happened thet when he hed ben livin this way tell his forty-fifth year ole Andy Crimmell tuk the place about a mile beyant his. One nice afternoon, as Absalom set a-dozin on his front porch, Andy's dotter, Annie May, come trippin down the road on her way to store, lookin as pretty as a pictur' in her red sunbonnet, swingin a basket an singin a melancholy piece. Absalom woke with a start as she stepped outer the woods above the house, an he got a sight of her pink cheeks afore she ducked under her bonnet, fer when she seen him she sudden stopped singin an walked by, a-lookin over the walley. Thet one glance done Absalom Bunkel. He staid awake tell she come back.

"Thet night he didn't eat no supper."

"'Nance,' sez he to his sister. 'How fur is it to Crimmels?'

"'Nigh onter a miled,' sez she.

"An he jest groaned, drawed his boots, tuk a candle an went up to bed.

"Twicet a week all thet summer Annie May Crimmel come a-singin down the road. An Absalom, dozin on the porch, 'u'd hear her voice tell she'd reach the edge of the woods. There she'd stop her song an go ploddin by, gazin over the walley, like he wasn't about or wasn't wuth lookin at. Absalom kept gittin fatter an fatter from doin nothin, an it seemed to him like Annie May Crimmel was prettier every time she went to store. He was onrastless; he was onhappy. He know'd what was wrong, an he seen no cure, fer to him thet girl walkin 'long the road not 20 rods from his house was like a chunk of bread danglin jest beyant the reach of a starvin man.

"Perhaps you uns wonder why he didn't go down an speak to her. Thet wasn't Absalom's way. He might 'a' walked thet fur to git warm. But to speak to a girl? Never! Oncet he called to her, but she was bashful an hung her head an walked on the faster.

"'Nance,' sez he to his sister thet night at supper, 'I've kinder a notion fer Annie May Crimmel,' he sez.

"'Hev you!' sez she, lookin surprised, though of course she know'd it, an fer weeks hed ben a-wonderin what 'u'd become of her.

"'An perhaps,' sez he, 'you wouldn't mind steppin over there tomorrer an tellin her.'

"'Umph!' she sez, perkin up her nose. 'You'll see me a-gaddin round the walley settin up with girls fer you!'

"He set thinkin a piece. Then he sez trem'lous like, 'Nance, how fur is it to Crimmels?'

"'A mile to an inch,' sez she.

"He jest give a groand an went off to bed ag'in.

"They say thet next day toward evenin Absalom was seen to rise from his chair, to hesitate, to set down, git up ag'in an begin movin toward the road. He got to the gate, pushed it half open an leaned on it. Tell sunset he stood there, a-gazin wistfullike toward Crimmel's place. Then he give a groand an went to supper.

"Winter drove the lazy felly inter the house. All day long he'd stay by the windy watchin for Annie May Crimmel, an as she passed he'd smile softlike. When she was gone, he'd look solemn ag'in. An all the time he kep' gittin fatter an fatter an more an more onrastless.

"The winter broke. March come an went. April 1 was a fine, warm day, so Absalom took his cheer out on the porch an set there lookin down the ridge into the walley, where the men was a-plowin fer oats. All at oncet he heard a creakin of wheels an a rattle of gears thet caused him to turn his eyes up the road. Outer the woods come a wagon, piled high with furnitur'. It was a flittin, the Crimmels' flittin, as he know'd when he seen Andy a-drivin an the missus an Annie May settin on the horses. Bunkel was stunned—cleaned stunned. The flittin went creakin past the house, him jest settin there starin. He know'd what it meant to him. He know'd it was fer him the same as the death of Annie May, but he couldn't do nothin. The wagon swung round the bend below the house an was outer sight.

"When he seen the last of the red bonnet flashin in the sun, he th'owed his hands to his head like they was a pain there. Sudden he jumped from his chair an run toward the road yellin: 'Hey, hey! Annie May!'

"He tore throo the gate, down the road an round the bend. They was in sight agin.

"'Annie May!' he called. 'Annie May!'

"The wagon stopped. The girl climbed offen the horse an run toward him When he seen her comin, he set right down to wait for her. She stood still.

"'Annie May,' he called, 'come here. I've somethin to tell you.'

"But she turned round an walked, with hangin head, back to the wagon. He jumped up an begin runnin after her ag'in. She heard his callin, an throwed out her hands an started toward him, cryin, 'Absalom, Absalom!'

"But Absalom Bunkel never spoke his mind to Annie May Crimmel. Afore he reached her he stopped sudden, kinder hesitated, then fell for'ard, face downward, inter the road. The girl went to him, but found him dead—dead from overexertin."—New York Sun.

A Joke on a Supreme Court.

Judge Burlingame has a joke on the Michigan supreme court. In ordering a new trial for J. S. H. Holmes, convicted of murder in the first degree and whose defense was insanity, the supreme court took occasion sharply to criticise Judge Burlingame's charge to the jury, asserting that it too fully expressed the court's opinion of the merits of the case. The charge to the jury in the Holmes case happens to be a verbatim repetition of a charge to a jury made by Judge Burlingame five years ago in a trial where insanity was the defense, and in sustaining the verdict at that time the supreme court found fault with the charge because it did not go far enough.—Cor. Chicago Times-Herald.

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AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

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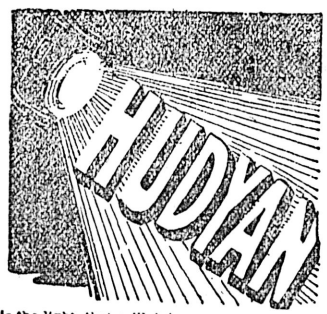

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its present sitting, for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 115th and 120th degrees of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia; with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, and to construct, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges; and also, for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST,
mr10 Agent for the Applicants.

Silver Queen Mining Company, Limited Liability.

A special general meeting of the stockholders of the Silver Queen Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the head office of the Company, 64 Yates Street, Victoria, British Columbia, on Thursday, 15th day of April, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of ratifying a resolution passed by the Directors, providing for the sale of all the undertaking and property of the Company to the Montreal-London Gold and Silver Development Company, Limited, to which resolution the Trustees desire the consent of the stockholders, as provided by the By-laws.

15th March, 1897.

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S. H. EWING
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THE THERMOMETER.

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1 a.m..	40°	Mean 42	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	39°		
9 a.m..	40°	Highest 48°	5 a.m.—4 S.W. 1 p.m.—12 S. 9 p.m.—8 S.W.
1 p.m.	46°		
5 p.m..	45°	Lowest 38°	Rain—0.01. Cloudy. Sunshine—Sh. 24m.
9 p.m..	42.		

Barometer 9 a.m... (Observed .....29.900 (Reduced 29.886

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IF THIS WERE FAITH.

God, if this were enough,
That I see things bare to the buff,
And up to the buttocks in mire;
That I ask nor hope nor hire,
Nut in the husk,
Nor dawn beyond the dusk,
Nor life beyond death:
God, if this were faith?

Having felt Thy wind in my face
Spit sorrow and disgrace,
Having seen Thine evil doom
In Golgotha and Khartoum,
And the brutes, the work of thine hands,
Fill with injustice land,
And stain with blood the sea;
If still in my veins the glee
Of the black night and the sun
And the lost battle run;
If, an adept,
The iniquitous lists I still accept
With joy, and joy to endure and be withstood,
And still to battle and perish for a dream of good;
God, if that were enough?
If to feel, in the ink of the slough,
And the sink of the mire,
Veins of glory and fire
Run through and transpierce and transpire,
And a secret purpose of glory in every part,
And the answering glory of battle fill my heart;
To thrill with the joy of girded men,
To go on forever and fail, and go on again.
And be mauled to the earth and arise,
And contend for the shade of a word and a thing not seen with the eyes;
With the halt of a broken hope for a pillow at night
That somehow the right is the right,
And the smooth shall bloom from the rough:
Lord, if that were enough?

—ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON.

PERSONAL.

Louis Hartnagle is back from a trip to Spokane.

G. A. Hartnagle has returned from a flying visit to Rossland.

Mrs. H. C. Lucas and Miss Garnet returned to Comox by yesterday's boat.

Thos. Forster, M.P.P., came over from the Mainland by last night's steamer.

Charles Stevenson, of Nanaimo, and A. Stratton, Detroit, are at the New England.

T. A. Trenholme, of the Hamilton Powder Co., and Mrs. Trenholme, are at the Driard.

J. S. and Mrs. Yates were passengers home from the Sound by yesterday morning's steamer.

E. M. Yarwood, Nanaimo, and G. O. Leask, Horsefly, Cariboo, are lately arrived guests at the Driard.

H. O. Stewart, son of Vancouver's chief of police, is over from the Terminal City and staying at the Dominion.

MORE COMPLICATIONS.

The Enforcement of the Blockade of Greece the Sequel for Regular Conflict.

Alleged Treacherous Massacres of Moslems by Christians—Slaughter of Armenians.

LONDON, March 16.—It was rumored that the Crown Prince of Greece had started for Thessaly. According to a later dispatch from Athens, a tendency towards despondency is beginning to show itself at the Greek capital. "The last hope of a rupture of the concert of Europe having been scattered by the decision of France to join in coercion," the dispatch adds, "there is much speculation as to whether the forces of the powers will proceed to active measures against Col. Vassos' troops. While it is formally announced that orders have been given both the Greek troops and ships in Crete to oppose force by force, it may be doubted whether the orders were really given. Brave words, however, are indispensable in the prevailing popular mood. The King and the government have no choice but to swim with the tide."

PARIS, March 16.—Ex-Minister Goblet, in the chamber of deputies today, questioned the government on Cretan affairs and urged that France should support Greece, claiming that the former's withdrawal from the European concert would not affect the Russian alliance, which, he asserted, did not oblige France to join in an expedition in which she was not interested.

M. Hanotaux, minister of foreign affairs, recapitulated the reply of Greece to the identical notes of the powers, and added:

"The powers have decided, in order to insure order and security, that each of the powers shall reinforce its contingents already landed by 500 or 600 men. If Greece continues to support Col. Vassos, then the admirals will take immediate measures for the coercion of Crete and the Greek ports will also be blockaded."

Referring to M. Goblet's suggestion, M. Hanotaux pointed out that the British were now in Egypt as a result of previous abstention on the part of France, adding that the continuance of such a policy meant preventing France from taking any role in the Mediterranean, and in that case, besides recalling her warships from Crete, she should also dismantle them. Continuing, the minister remarked: "The Cretan imbroglio can be arranged without us." He concluded with an appeal to the chamber to support the government in a concert of the powers. The chamber by a vote of 356 to 143 approved the government's declaration on the Cretan question.

ATHENS, March 16.—The receipt of the news from Paris has caused a pessimistic feeling here, but the government is determined to maintain its opposition and await the blockade.

Dispatches received at midnight from Volo and Larissa state that two insurgent bands, one composed of one thousand men and the other of three hundred, have crossed into Macedonia. The Greek troops have arrested, near Larissa, a Turkish major spying upon the troops.

It is generally believed that the enforcement of the blockade will be the signal for a conflict on the frontier. The papers yesterday spoke in a moderate tone of the situation. In the boula the president of the chamber read many messages from abroad expressing sympathy with the efforts of Greece. These were received with great applause. The minister of war introduced a bill permitting the enrollment of Greek volunteers and the creation of a foreign Phil-Hellenic legion.

The regiment of the Crown Prince Constantine, the only one now remaining at Athens, will start for the frontier before the blockade begins.

CANEA, March 16.—A sensation has been caused by the report that the Italian vice-consul, who has visited the spot, confirms the alleged treacherous massacres of the Moslems in Silia district by the Christians last month. He gives details of the revolting barbarity, and fixes the number of victims at one thousand. The evidence, however, is not very convincing, and does not preclude the possibility of severe fighting. At any rate, the Italian vice-consul's report calls for strict consular inquiry. The difficulty is that no competent interpreters are available.

The Mussulmans make the most of the affair and accuse the Christians of plotting their extermination, on the ground that their presence is the only objection which Europe entertains to the annexation of Crete by Greece. The exasperated Moslems are finding an outlet to their rage in wholesale pillage. Greek men-of-war are still in the harbor. No serious damage was caused at the bombardment of Kissamo. The foreign warships went there and proclaimed the place under the protection of the powers. The firing then ceased.

There are rumors of a serious massacre of Armenians by the Turkish troops at Sivas, and bloody engagements between the Turks and insurgents at Erania and Kerassia, in Epirus. The Armenians are cruelly oppressed in the Adana district and the ambassadors have complained to the Grand Vizier. An Armenian relief distributor has been murdered at Darbekir and robbed of his relief funds. The outrage was probably committed by Kurds. Sir Phillip Currie and Mr. Terrell have demanded the punishment of the murderer and the restitution of the money.

While the sunset guns were being fired by the fleet in Suda bay last evening, a turret gun on the Russian warship Sissoi Veleky exploded with a terrific crash. The turret was blown to pieces and fifteen men stationed near the gun killed outright. These included two officers. Thirteen others were so badly injured that they will die. Portions of the bodies of the killed were found strewn on the deck, which presented a ghastly spectacle. The Sissoi Veleky is one of the largest vessels in the Russian navy.

LONDON, March 16.—The decision of the French chamber of deputies in approving of the policy of France in adhering to the concert of the powers had a good effect upon the stock exchange. Consols went up 5-16; foreign securities firm. Later the prices of the stock exchange relapsed somewhat on the weakness of the Paris and Vienna markets.

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Recent investigation has revealed the fact that the stores of this city are largely stocked with baking powders labelled "pure" which contain alum, the injurious ingredient which the Iowa and Minnesota State Boards of Health have so strongly condemned. The government chemists at the World's Fair condemned it even more strongly by ruling out all alum baking powders as totally unfit for human food. The following are the alum powders sold in this section:

"White Star".....Contains Alum.
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"Our Own".....Contains Alum.
(H. McBain, Winnipeg.)
"Newman's".....Contains Alum.
(Century Co., Picton, Ont.)
"Hargraves".....Contains Alum.
(T. G. Hargrave & Co., Winnipeg.)

In addition to the powders in this list, all brands sold with a prize and all sold at 25 cents or less a pound are sure to be made of alum.

At the World's Fair the same authorities that condemned the alum powders declared Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder the purest, strongest and best made and accordingly awarded it the Highest Medal.

STOCK MARKETS.

Considerable Strength in New York—Strong Reaction in London on News From Crete.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The opening of the stock market gave every promise of a repetition of yesterday's course of events, the strong buying movement in the Vanderbilt properties which gave animation and strength to the whole market being renewed at the opening. The "bears" opened their campaign by pressure on the Granger shares. The closing prices were: Atchison, 11⅞; Can. Sou., 50⅝; C. C. C. G St. L., 32⅞; D. & R., 10⅜; M. P., 18¾; N. Y. C., 99⅞; N. P. Pfd., 37⅝; P. M., 26¾; Sou. Ry., 9; W. U., 88⅛. Cable in Montreal, 166; Canadian Pacific, in London, 53⅝.

The Evening Post's London dispatch says: The stock markets opened strong to-day on the decision of the French chamber to support the powers. Consols at one time were 112⅜ buyers, but the close wos 112⅛. A sharp reaction followed on French selling and reports that the Greek troops had crossed the frontier. Inasmuch as the selling of foreigners was by the Greek contingent there may be truth in the report. Americans were steady, but closed under the best.

AN unfortunate named Frederick James Stevens, afflicted with religious mania, boarded the Kingston yesterday morning and started in to preach and a little after was arrested by Constable Walker after a tough resistance. He was pronounced insane after a medical examination and will be looked after accordingly.

R. G. RING, of Berlin, Germany, left last evening for Texada island with a party of prospectors on the steamer Maude, which is making a special trip for the purpose of bringing down to Victoria 50 tons of ore from the Van Anda and Raven mines. The party will thoroughly prospect the island with the object of locating some good claims. If these are obtainable, as they no doubt will be, development work will be immediately commenced and the machinery to facilitate this will be forthcoming at once. Mr. Ring is very wealthy and is said to represent millions of German capital besides.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE FIGHT.

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will fight a careful battle and if Corbett beats him he will be truly entitled to be called champion. There are some things about Fitz that I do not like. I do not like the color of the whites of his eyes, but at the same time after looking over the course of training he has gone through I must say that I like the amount of work he has done and the manner in which he has done it. Upon his arrival at the arena Fitz will go directly to his dressing room, which is on the west side of the big frame structure. He will wear black shoes and green silk tights. Around his waist he will have a belt of red, white and blue silk, the belt having in its centre an eagle with wings outspread. The belt will, however, be taken off as soon as the time for the fight occurs, and Fitz will fight in the green tights alone.

When Corbett reaches his dressing room he will be roughly rubbed down and that will end everything but the fighting. He will wear no tights, fighting in short white trunks and white shoes. He will wear into the ring the red, white and blue, with green trimmings made for him by his wife, but will lay it aside before the call of time.

This afternoon's special train from San Francisco was composed of nine Pullman sleepers, the first to reach here. One of the passengers was Corbett's father, who came to see his son battle for gold and glory. He expressed the utmost confidence in his son's ability to defeat Fitz, and said that Jim had assured him that there was no possibility of his losing the fight.

Midnight—Corbett and Fitz have finished their training. Nothing remains except for them to appear in the ring and decide the fight. Both men are in the pink of condition. Corbett, according to the best judges, is more perfect physically than Fitz. Corbett is the favorite, but many believe that Fitz has good chances to win. They say it is only necessary to land once to knock out his opponent. No pools for large amounts have been sold. All so far were for small amounts, $6.50 to $10 and $12 to $20, with an occasional $70 to $100. So far at least $25,000 has been bet on the result. If any large bets have been made the arrangements were private. The truth is, perhaps, that all except the enthusiastic friends of Fitz are controlled by the belief that he can win only by a chance blow, and the odds are not large enough to induce his admirers to bet freely on him. The sale of tickets was brisk to-day, and Stuart feels more hopeful about a large attendance.

Charley Mitchell has come to the front with a challenge, a cablegram having been received by Geo. Siler, the referee, from Atkinson of the London Sporting Life, to fight the winner for £2,000, or Sullivan within a reasonable time either in America or England. This is the second challenge that has been made to the winner, the first being that of Billy Madden, who on Sunday attempted to get the two men to say that in the event of victory they would fight Joe Goddard. It is not at all likely that either of the men will pay any attention to the challenge.

The train that arrived to-day was late and it is likely that some people from the East now on their way here may not arrive in time to see the fight. It cannot be denied that there has been during the day an increase in the esteem in which the chances of Fitzsimmons are held. Muldoon's opinion of Fitz has gained friends for the latter, as it naturally should when it is considered that Muldoon is a friend of Corbett's and wishes him success.

A special train from the East came in. There were about 250 people on board, the only notables being Jack McAuliffe and Harry Phillips, of Montreal, who took Sullivan to Europe. When asked this evening how many people he expected to attend the fight, Stuart said he was confident that 10,000 would see the battle.

Corbett will enter the ring weighing 185, three more than when he fought Mitchell. It is believed Fitz. will weigh in at 165 although Julien said to-day he would be heavier than that, or between 170 and 180. Julien said very plainly that Fitz would not concede more than twelve pounds to Corbett. Both men have carefully planned their battle, but neither of them will discuss the match. Their plans of battle are well understood, however, despite the secrecy which has been maintained by the fighters and their trainers. Corbett will fight a careful battle, and for several rounds at least will endeavor to keep his antagonist at arm's length. When he considers that he has worn Fitz down somewhat he will go in for close work and endeavor to win. For the first five rounds at least it is the intention of the Corbett party to have their man fight in a defensive manner, particularly with his hands. Corbett will also try to draw Fitzsimmons into making leads and rely on the chance of landing a counter. Fitz will go a trifle slow for the first round or two, but after that will endeavor to get close to his man and land one of those awful right-handers which have so often returned him winner. Fitz declared to-day that in the event of his losing the fight he will leave the country.

"What else is there left for me to do?" he said, "I cannot get any more matches in the middleweight class, and if I lose this it will show that I am not in the heavyweight class and then I cannot act like Corbett, and there is not anything for me to do but get out. I expect to win of course, but any man may lose a fight and there is a chance of my losing this one. A fighter always takes his chances no matter what he is up against. One thing is sure, if I lose I will leave the United States."

THE OAR.

THE N. P. A. A. O. REGATTA.

Messrs. J. S. Yates and Ross Eckardt returned yesterday from Portland, where they have been in attendance at the annual meeting of the N.P.A.A.O. as delegates of the J.B.A.A. The annual regatta will be held on July 5 and 6 at Portland. There has been no definite arrangement made as to course, but it is more than probable that Lake Union will be decided on. Another question discussed was that of obtaining a new cup for the senior four, the one presented by the C.P.R. having been finally won by the James Bay four. It was decided to endeavor to get some private corporation to present a cup, or, failing in this, to purchase one at a cost of not more than $100. A lapstreak skiff was defined as an open skiff, with outriggers and not over twenty feet long. The various delegates present, besides Messrs. Yates and Eckhardt, were: Vancouver Boating Club, W. R. Robertson, F. V. Bodwell; Burrard Inlet Rowing Club, J. M. Mackinnon, George E. McDonald; Portland Rowing Club, R. L. Gilsan; S. A. C., George E. Morris, Captain A. J. Balliet.

The entire management of the regatta was taken over by the Portland club, which will include the appointments of officials and provision of prizes. Senior, intermediate, and junior fours and singles will be included in the programme.

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THE WHEEL.

ATHLETIC AMALGAMATION DISCUSSED.

Mr. A. H. Scaife, who last season was duly initiated into the mysteries of cycling and the duties appertaining to the presidency of the V.W.C., was at the annual meeting of that club yesterday evening again the choice of the local organization of wheelmen, his re-election being unanimous. Supporting him in the direction of the club affairs are: Mr. T. W. Edwards, vice-president; Mr. H. R. Ella, secretary; Mr. H. L. Salmon, treasurer; Mr. A. J. Dallain, captain; Mr. S. P. Moody, lieutenant; Mr. H. A. Macaulay, bugle major and standard-bearer; Mr. C. H. Gibbons and Mr. Robert Jamieson, directors. The election on the whole passed off peacefully though enthusiastically, the contest for the office of standard-bearer being particularly exciting, but devoid of any indications of riot.

Besides electing officers for the year, the V.W.C.'s last night disposed of an unusually large amount of important business. In the matter of recommending an official timer for the British Columbia division of the C.W.A., presented in a letter from Mr. H. J. Franklin, of Vancouver, it was decided to endorse the position taken by the Vancouver club and support Mr. George E. Trorey, of the Terminal City, for the important office.

The executive of the club will constitute the good roads committee for the year, with general instructions to make life unbearable for the city council until radical improvements are secured. A second important committee is composed of Messrs. A. J. Dallain, B. S. Oddy, C. H. Gibbons, S. Jones and H. R. Ella. These members are instructed to prepare a concise presentment of the advantages to cyclists of club membership and also to report to a general meeting next Tuesday evening as to the possibility of bringing about an amalgamation during this year of the various athletic interests in Victoria, the M.A.A.A. of Montreal, the Multnomahs of Portland, and even the Seattle and Spokane athletic clubs, affording striking illustrations of the wisdom of such action. Many of the warmest friends of sport in this city have come to the conclusion that the time is ripe for consolidation of athletic interests, and if individual differences are sunk for the general good there appears no legitimate reason why British Columbia's Capital should not, before the close of the present season, have one of the largest, strongest, and most representative athletic clubs on the Pacific Coast.

BOWLING.

Tenpins, since the establishment of the bowling alley at the corner of Government and Johnson streets, has become quite a favorite evening pastime—especially with the men of the fleet, who are particularly expert at any game of the nature of skittles. To-night several of the crack players will be on hand and a contest for the championship of the province will be arranged, which promises to be keenly fought.

WHIST.

VICTORY OF THE CHESS CLUB.

The return match between Victoria Chess club and the James Bay Athletic association was played last evening at James Bay; carefully picked teams represented both organizations and great efforts were put forth by all the contestants. The following is the score:

CHESS CLUB.

	Won.	Lost.
B. Williams and C. A. Lombard..	6	1
C. W. Rhodes and B. J. Perry.....	4	3
A. S. Potts and T. H. Piper.....	4	3
Capt. Michell and Dr. Garesche...	4	3
W. Sylvester and C. Sylvester.....	5	2
P. D. Goepel and H. G. Dalby.....	4	3
R. H. Johnstone and P. T. Johnstone.....	3	4
	30	19

J. B. A. A.

	Won.	Lost
C. L. Wark and A. C. Anderson ..	3	4
C. E. Bailey and J. H. Austin.....	2	5
W. J. Scott and J. K. Macrae.....	2	5
F. L. Macfarland and F. A. Gowen	4	3
J. McB. Smith and W. D. Aden...	3	4
H. J. Martin and C. W. Newbury.	5	2
W. L. B. Young and A. R. Wolfenden	0	7
Total.....	19	30

HERE AND THERE.

The ladies' hockey club practice this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the drill hall.

Overcome by Grief.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 16.—John Cramer, a 16 year old boy living at Durea, died last night from hydrophobia as the result of being bitten by a rabid dog. The boy's sufferings before death were so terrible to witness that his father, Jacob Cramer, overcome by the horror of the scene, dropped dead at his son's bedside.

Boom in Opium.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—Duty to the amount of $24,000 was paid yesterday on opium withdrawn from bond. This is one of the biggest day's receipts from this source in the history of the customs house at this port. The big withdrawals of the drug were due to the fact that the big seizure of February 27th left the market practically without stock on hand.

AMUSEMENTS.

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PROSPECTIVE RAILWAY FIGHT.

The C. P. R. Likely to Cause Demoralization in Railway Circles.

CHICAGO, March 16.—A demand made by the Canadian Pacific railroad is likely to cause considerable demoralization in transcontinental passenger rates. The Canadian Pacific applied to the chairman of the transcontinental passenger association for authority to pay $12 commission on round trip tickets and $6 on one way. The application was based on the facts that other roads were admittedly paying these commissions to tourist agencies. The chairman denied the application on the ground that the arrangements in connection with the tourist agencies were in effect when the trans-continental association was formed. It is believed the Canadian Pacific will now take independent action and pay the commissions, which may give rise to a rate war.

SMALLPOX IN NEW YORK.

Gotham Disturbed Over Two Cases of the Malady.

NEW YORK, March 16.—President Wilson, of the board of health, announced to-day that two cases of smallpox had been discovered in the city. The first case was not discovered until yesterday, when he was removed to North Brother Island. The second case was reported to the board of health this morning.

SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

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" Rosalie..... " " "
" City of Topeka.. " " "
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